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SUFFOLKS COMING.

NEW BATTALION FOR HONGKONG.

STRONGER GARRISON.

The 2nd Battalion The Suffolk Regiment, at present stationed at Gibraltar, is under orders to proceed to Hongkong, according to a Reuter's message received from Gibraltar this morning, which states that the information is authoritative.

Enquiries at Command Headquarters this morning revealed that Reuter's information is correct, though at present further details are lacking.

THE OFFICERS.

Lieut. Colonel F. S. Cooper, D.S.O., commands the battalion which is being sent to double the Hongkong garrison, while under him are Major A. G. Taylor, Major A. M. Cuthill, Major N. A. Biddlestone, Capt. R. W. Leach, Capt. G. G. Carpenter, D.S.O., Capt. G. F. Hill, M.C., Capt. E. H. W. Backhouse, Capt. E. H. Faulconer, Capt. F. C. Berrill, Capt. P. R. W. Carthew, and Capt. S. P. Inskip. The adjutant is Lieut. H. R. Hopking.

Sixteen subalterns complete the list of officers as follows: Lieutenants V. C. Russell, D.S.O., M.C., F. H. Vinden, N. A. Bott, M.C., D.C.M., M.M., R. H. Maxwell, R. Q. March, E. R. D. Elias, O. A. Watts, G. T. E. Grey, W. J. G. Walters, R. H. H. Unwin, A. R. D. Heyland, R. N. Charrington, N. M. Barnardiston, R. H. I. Hopkins, Second-Lieutenants I. L. Wight, and J. R. H. Unwin. Lieut. B. G. F. Drew is Quartermaster.

WITH REGIMENT IN 1914.

It is of interest to note that four of the officers were with the Suffolk Regiment in 1914, three of them with the battalion. Capt. R. W. Leach was with the 1st Batt. from 1910 to 1914 as first lieutenant, while Capt. E. H. W. Backhouse, Capt. P. R. W. Carthew and Capt. S. P. Inskip joined the 2nd Battalion, and were second lieutenants together in the early days of the war.

BATTLE HONOURS.

Prior to the Great War, the Regiment's battle honours were Delingen, Minden, Seringatam, India, South Africa 1851-2-3, New Zealand, Afghanistan, South Africa 1899-1902.

The Suffolks had twenty-two battalions in the Great War and their battle honours are appended:—Mons, Le Cateau, Retreat from Mons, Marne 1914, Aisne 1914, La Bassée 1914, Givenchy 1914, Neuve Chapelle, Ypres 1915 '17, '18, Gravenstafel, St. Julien, Pozenbourg, Belleward, Aubers, Hezeng 1915, Loos, Somme 1916 '18, Albert 1916 '18, Bazentin, Delville Wood, Pozieres, Flers Courcellette, Morval, Thiepval, Le Transloy, Ancre Heights, Ancre 1916 '18, Arras 1917 '18, Scarpe 1917 '18, Arleux, Ploeghe, Langemark 1917, Menin Road, Polygon Wood, Poelcappelle, Passchendaele, Cambrai 1917 '18, St. Quentin, Bapaume 1918, Lys, Estaires, Messines 1918, Hazebrouck, Bailloult, Kemmel, Bethune, Scherpenberg, Amiens, Hindenburg, Line, Ephe, Canal du Nord, Courtrai, Selle, Valenciennes, Sambre, France and Flanders 1914-18, Struma, Doiran 1918, Macedonia 1915-18, Suva, Landing at Suva, Scimitar Hill, Gallipoli 1915, Egypt 1915-17, Gaza, El Mughar, Nebi Samwil, Jerusalem, Jaffa, Tell Aurr, Megiddo, Sharon, Palestine 1917-18.

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BOYCOTT EXTENSION MOVE.

ORGANISATION FORMED AT WUCHOW.

COPYING CANTON PLAN.

According to a prominent merchant who has just arrived in the Colony from Wuchow, a branch of the anti-British Boycott Extension Committee has been established there. So far, however, the movement is making no headway excepting that it is requesting merchants to report particulars of any British goods which they hold, just as is being done in Canton. Goods carried by steamers from Hongkong he says, are free from any molestation.

It is said that the four Commercial Chambers in Wuchow will call a joint meeting with the officials of the Steamboat Labour Union and the Stevedore Union to discuss points arising from the suggested boycott. As is known, the Anti-British Boycott Extension Committee in Canton has passed a resolution that after the Chinese New Year the boycott rules must be observed and the so-called Enemy Goods Investigation Corps will be organised to check any possible inflow of British goods. The branch of this Committee in Wuchow is now actively urging the Commercial Chambers and Labour Unions to follow suit.

As to Kiangmoon, there is still no organisation formed to boycott British goods.

BANDITS CAUGHT.

OVER FORTY EXECUTED.

According to official French news, word has been received from Lungchow that repressive measures have been effectively taken, by the Chinese authorities of Kwangsi, against piratical bands who have committed, for the past two months, acts of banditry, on the Yunnan-Tonkin border, operating on the Lungchow-Namquan road, in one of which incidents it will be remembered, the French Consul at Lungchow, M. Robert, was killed.

The pursuit columns organized by the leading man of the region have arrested numerous bandits belonging to the band of the notorious bandit chief, Chau Kening. Nine of these robbers were executed near Kiang Lung Ngao, the scene of the murder of the Consul, on the 31st October. Thirty-two others were also shot at Lungchow, on the 19th November, on a market day, and at a public place in the town, while 40 more prisoners are awaiting their trial.

MUSSOLINI'S IDEAS.

PACIFIC BUT NOT PACIFIST.

Rome, Dec. 17. Signor Mussolini, interviewed, emphasised that a Franco-Italian agreement was one of the fundamental necessities of European evolution.

His guiding idea was the necessity of satisfying Italy's crying need of moral, spiritual and physical expansion by means of a pacific but not pacifist policy. But that was nowise incompatible with friendship to and co-operation with other nations. He urged the necessity of abandoning the tendency to regard Asiatics as barbarians and was of opinion that the so-called Asiatic peril would cease when the barrier between Eastern and Western mentalities was broken down. He advocated the continual re-establishment of the balance of power as the best formula for the maintenance of peace.—Reuter.

M. CHICHERIN ILL.

IN A GERMAN SANATORIUM.

Frankfurt, Dec. 17. M. Chicherin is undergoing treatment in a sanatorium here.—Reuter.

HANKOW PARLEY.

BRITISH MINISTER'S EFFORTS.

BETTER UNDERSTANDING.

Hankow, Dec. 16. Conversations between the British Minister, Mr. Miles Lampson, and Mr. Eugene Chen continue almost daily.

While, naturally, no official statements as regards their nature are being given out—both sides being pledged to secrecy in this matter—it is understood that a most considerable amount of ground has been covered.

The fact that each side now knows and appreciates the others' viewpoint on many matters on which there has hitherto been misunderstanding, is felt to show continued progress, if not towards a solution of all the complicated problems involved in the question of the recognition of the Southern Government, at least towards a better understanding by each party of the precise issues involved in that question.

Mr. Miles Lampson is expected to leave here to-morrow for Peking.

A FINAL MEETING.

Hankow, Dec. 17. The concluding meeting, at least for the time being, between Mr. Miles Lampson and Mr. Eugene Chen was held on H.M.S. "Petersfield to-day.—Reuter.

OBSCURE WAR SITUATION.

Meanwhile, the military situation in the north is most obscure. In no quarter here, official or unofficial, is it understood. Until it develops, it is impossible to say precisely how strong the southern position here is.

KUOMINTANG'S MOVE.

That the Southerners feel it to be secure is evidenced by the almost wholesale transference of the Kuomintang Party records and documents from Canton to Hankow, these coming overland. There has also been a transference of some of the Government records, but not to the same extent. Five professional orators who address popular demonstrations at various places en route, are accompanying the cavalcade of party officials, despatch boxes and soldier guards now on their way from Canton to Hankow.

JAPAN NOT YET CONSULTED.

Hitherto, Mr. Saburi, the Chief of the Treaty Bureau of the Japanese Foreign Office, who is investigating conditions in China, has not had any official conversations with the Southern Government, and he has not yet met Mr. Eugene Chen.—Reuter.

SAD PHILIPPINES DISASTER.

SIX DROWNED AS BOAT OVERTURNS.

Valentin Alcazar, chief of the engineering section of the Iwahig Penal colony, Palawan, his wife, two nieces and two prisoners were drowned last week while returning on a banca to Iwahig from Puerto Princessa, according to a telegram received in Manila from Ramon P. Mitra, superintendent of the colony.

Five others who were on the banca with Alcazar were saved, according to the report. The bodies of Mr. Alcazar, his wife and Geronima, one of the nieces have been recovered. Three are still missing. They are Jose Tan, Ramon Dilolita and Filomena, another niece of Alcazar.

Superintendent Mitra's report indicates that Mr. Alcazar was largely to blame for the accident. Notwithstanding the rough condition of the sea and the existence of better travelling facilities there at the time, Alcazar insisted on taking his banca towed by a launch.

RAID ON BIAS BAY PIRATES.

CANTON AEROPLANES TO BE USED.

HOPES OF SUCCESS.

Dealing with the proposed raid on Bias Bay by Chinese troops, the Canton Gazette says the suppression campaign plans which were drawn up by General Li Tsai-sum have been approved by the body specially appointed to consider this matter by the Committee for Political Affairs.

Two divisions are to be assigned to the task of rounding up the bandits, according to the plan, and a small squadron of gunboats will be detailed to co-operate with the land forces whenever necessary. Aeroplanes are also to be used, two having been specially set aside for the purpose of bombing pirate strongholds which are inaccessible to troops and marines.

The authorities in charge are optimistic about the results of this determined campaign. They perceive that the dens of the sea pirates will be cleaned up within three months.

DEATH OF MR. G. H. HASKETT.

A POPULAR P. W. D. OFFICIAL.

It is with extreme regret that we have to record the death of Mr. George Henry Haskett, A. I. S. A., Superintendent of Accounts and Stores in the Public Works Department, which took place at home on the 8th instant. News of the sad event was received in the Colony yesterday.

The late Mr. Haskett, accompanied by his wife, went home to leave early this year and was due to return at the end of this month. It appears that he recently underwent an operation for tonsillitis, in a nursing home in Birmingham, and that he never completely recovered consciousness, a clot of blood forming on the brain. He was later moved from the nursing home, but he failed to recover and passed away as stated.

The deceased, who was 42 years of age, was twice married, and he leaves, besides his widow (who is a daughter of the Rev. Charles Bone, former Wesleyan minister in Hongkong), a little daughter by his first wife. Much sympathy will be felt for the widow and relatives in the heavy loss which they have suffered.

The late Mr. Haskett joined the P. W. D. in May, 1913, as Inspector of Stores, later became acting Superintendent of Accounts and was for a time Accountant at the Colonial Treasury. It was in 1924 that he was appointed to the position of Superintendent of Accounts and Stores. He was at one time Hon. Secretary of the Civil Service Cricket Club and was also a keen Volunteer. An active member of the Wanchai Wesleyan Church, he some years ago held office therein as Secretary to the Quarterly Meeting. He was a man of sterling qualities and extremely popular amongst all with whom he came into contact.

RARE FIRST COPY.

BOOK SOLD FOR OVER £2,000.

Rugby, Dec. 17. A first edition copy of John Bunyan's "Book for Boys and Girls" was sold to-day for £2,100. Only one other copy of this edition is known to exist and that is in the British Museum.

Romance is attached to the event. The book was, with a number of others, bought by a woman at Hemel Hempstead for half-a-crown some years ago. It was recently that her daughter, who is a post office worker, showed it to a local librarian. He submitted it to Mr. Hodgson the book auctioneer. Mr. Hodgson recognised its rarity and auctioned it.—British Wireless.

EUROPE UNREST.

TWO CHANGES OF GOVERNMENTS.

COUP IN LITHUANIA.

Berlin, Dec. 17.

The Government has resigned owing to the Socialist vote of non-confidence being adopted by the Reichstag by 249 votes to 171.—Reuter.

HOW THE VOTING WENT.

Later.

The Reichstag has adjourned until January 19.

The majority against the Government consisted of Socialists, German Nationals, Communists and Extreme Nationalists. The German Nationals voted in favour of the motion of non-confidence, despite President Hindenburg's requesting their leader Count Westarp not to do so owing to reasons of foreign policy, as important negotiations with the Entente were proceeding for which a stable Government was essential. The German Nationals voted for the first time with Socialists, not because they approved of the socialist criticisms of the Reichswehr, but because, as Count Westarp stated, they considered it time for Germany to have a stable Government backed by a majority in the Reichstag.

President Hindenburg has requested Dr. Marx to carry on until a new government is formed. The German Nationals are undoubtedly anxious to participate in the new Government, and possibly a coalition with them will be formed. On the contrary, the Socialists may be willing to take over the reins with the support of the bourgeois parties. Anyhow, it is certain that Dr. Stresemann will continue to be Foreign Minister and his foreign policy will be continued.—Reuter.

LITHUANIAN REVOLT.

Berlin, Dec. 17.

It is reliably reported from Meme that the Lithuanian Government has been overthrown and its members arrested. Martial law has been declared, and General Smetana, backed by military forces, has taken over the Government.—Reuter.

"BLOODLESS COUP."

Riga, Dec. 17.

The coup d'etat in Lithuania was carried out bloodlessly. Placards were posted in the streets accusing the Government of selling the country to Bolsheviks and foreigners, and announcing that the military forces were therefore temporarily taking control.—Reuter.

DANISH POLICY.

Copenhagen, Dec. 17.

Speaking in the Rigsdag, the new Premier, M. Madsen Myddal, in outlining the Cabinet programme stated that it would consider its principal task to be the discovery of a solution of the economic crisis by reducing both State and district expenditure in order to achieve a substantial reduction in the taxation which weighed heavily on the economic life of the nation. It would be necessary to adapt a number of laws voted during the inflation period and war time to the present economic conditions. M. Myddal announced that he would endeavour, as soon as possible, to come to a definite arrangement with regard to the affairs of the Landmans Bank and try to attract foreign capital so as to solve the question of credit. He fore-shadowed an amendment of the existing taxation laws with a view to the encouragement and development of voluntary thrift.—Reuter.

FRENCH BUDGET.

Paris, Dec. 17.

The Senate, by 250 votes to 6, has passed the Budget, showing an estimated surplus of 105 million francs. Mr. Poincare declared that the Treasury was now in a more favourable position than it had been for several years.—Reuter.

Bulls and Innere

From the Office Butts.

"Theatre-Gore."—We quite agree that it would be appropriate for H.M.S. Pinafore to be manned by The Yeomen of the Guard when following the Pirates of Penzance. We do not think, however, that the resulting Trial by Jury would show any Bias, although it might try the Patience of the jurors.

Looks as if the Canton boy-cotters have adopted the French cry at Verdun: "Thou shalt not pass!"

"What's to become of the younger generation?" asks a writer. Most probably they'll grow up.

The Government is determined not to be left out in the cold this festive season, for it notifies that all Crown rent must be paid on or before Christmas Day.

A Berkshire man has forwarded to a farmer ten shillings as payment and interest of eggs which he stole four years ago. Probably made something on them in the recent market rise.

"Norway's General Election," says a China Mail heading. Which would have been all right if it didn't happen to have taken place in Denmark.

London proposes to start a school for waiters. Well, their arithmetic generally seems a bit shaky.

These are hard times for editors. The coal strike is over and there's talk of peace in China. What on earth will there be left to write about?

With so many wives arriving back from Home, the close season for grass-widowers may now be said to have begun.

We know a lady who's already decided what her husband shall buy himself for Christmas.

"Tea Culture Planned Here" reads a headline in a contemporary. Possibly someone has been observed to leave a teaspoon in the cup.

Talking of styles in garters, we hear that the modern girl likes something that will hold up the traffic.

American newspapers predict a radio boom during next year. Our experience is that it is not so much a boom as a screech.

"Motor Car Turns Turtle," says newspaper heading. We'd rather have one that would turn corners.

The local deep-sea fishing contests seem to have fallen a bit flat. Suppose it's a hard foe to hoe when one can't find the right place.

A parking space in the city is worth two on the island road.

Uneasy lies the head that needs a bob.

If your bed seems too narrow, go and get the bedspread.

A London paper says that chickens cause many accidents. Especially when the driver is cooped up owing to his arm being around one while driving.

A New York jazz composer has composed 86 different tunes in the last 12 months. He'd have done more if he hadn't used up all the noises.

Many a Hongkong man who he sometimes spends as much as two hours on one bar. Some of our policemen sleep as long as that on one beat.

One thing the cross-word puzzles have taught us—the difference between vertical and horizontal.

The woman who marries a self-made man generally finds that a few alterations are necessary.

"Floaters Here" read a Singapore newspaper headline when referring to the "Floating University." It is not true that the Sanitary Department immediately wired that they should be returned to Hongkong.

"If I remember rightly, it was in a Russian play that theshrudfvr urdrudkpf appeared," says a contemporary. It would be.

In Detroit, U.S.A. (of course), a fat man's contest was won by Mr. Poley. Probably Mr. Roley-Poley!

The latest medical opinion is that ten hours' sleep are necessary for a man. This is the strongest argument we have yet heard for lengthening the hours in Government offices.

Many business concerns have gone "broke" in Florida through lack of funds. In the Far East, we frequently have to dump some of our spare cash in Bias Bay.

An article in a motoring paper is entitled "The Correct Use of the Clutch." The clutch meant, however, is not the pillow girl's frenzied embrace when corners are negotiated.

A loud-speaker has been invented which can be heard twelve miles away. A roaring success.

"It is the duty of every good motorist to see that his car is fitted with really good limps," says a contemporary. These, of course, he distributes to pedestrians.

One thing about aeroplanes, they're the safest things on earth.

Many a man who's fallen off a pony knows something about the fierce light that beats about the thrown.

Lots of folk who haven't a gramophone put on airs.

The man's a real diplomat who remembers his wife's birthday but forgets her age.

Most modern girls make their appearance before they actually appear.

According to the Telegraph, a local Volunteer has been granted leave until March 3rd, 1927. He should get home almost in time for the Battle of Waterloo.

We never knew Hongkong had so many pretty girls until we saw the chorus in "The Pirates of Penzance." Wonder where they hold.

Recent soundings place the greatest depth of the Mediterranean at 14,436 feet. An excursion of safety razor users, with accumulated stocks of old blades, will doubtless be arranged in due course.

To get a cable through a 12 inch pipe, 60 feet long and a bend in the middle, Scottish engineers tied a string to a dog and then whistled to the animal from the other end. Another method would be to tie a string to a haggis and give it a good fright.

At a building exhibition there were shown some illuminated key-chorus in "The Pirates of Penzance." Wonder where they hold. The eyesight of the in-quisitive domestic servants is almost bound to suffer.

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MILITARY WEDDING.

INTERESTING CEREMONY AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

Military circles were interested in a wedding which took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday morning, when Mrs. Gladys Mary Compton Smith, who recently arrived in the Colony from Home, was married to Major Guy Lansberry Peterson, R.A.S.C.

The bride is the widow of the late Major Compton Smith, who it will be recalled, was killed in Ireland by Republican forces after having been captured whilst engaged sketching and held as hostage for the survivors of a party of Irish volunteers.

The service was conducted by the Cathedral Chaplain, the Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle. It was a quiet wedding, attended only by a few officers, friends of the bridegroom, and Warrant Officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the R.A.S.C. and I.A.S.C. (permanent staff).

The General Officer Commanding the Troops in China, Major General C.C. Luard, C.B., gave the bride away, and Major Bennett, M.C., was best man.

The bride and bridegroom passed under an archway of crossed swords as they left the Cathedral for Headquarters House, where the reception was held. Later Major and Mrs. Peterson left for Repulse Bay, before proceeding to Fanling, where the honeymoon will be spent.

Amongst those present at the ceremony and later at the reception were: Mrs. and Miss Luard, Col. and Mrs. C. Russell Brown, Col. and Mrs. Boylan Smith, Mrs. Macready, Commander Broadley, Commander Picaign-Jones, Lieut. Col. C. M. Stephen, Major Roberts, Capt. E. W. Morris, Capt. and Mrs. H. N. E. Walker, Major L. J. Lightfoot, Major A. R. Stamford, Lieut. and Mrs. C. H. Atkins, Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnston (A.D.C.) and Mrs. Johnston.

MORE WARSHIPS COMING.

FOURTH DESTROYER FLOTILLA UNDER ORDERS.

Malta, Dec. 17.
The Fourth Destroyer Flotilla has been ordered to China and is now taking in munitions and stores.

The flotilla will probably leave this afternoon.

The cruiser Caradoc may accompany the destroyers.—*Reuter.*

The Caradoc is 4,120 tons, armed with five 6-inch and two 3-inch guns and four 3-pounders, and belongs to the 3rd Cruiser Squadron in the Mediterranean. She was recommissioned at Devonport on Feb. 16 this year. She is of similar type to the Carlisle of the China station.

The Fourth Destroyer Flotilla consists of the following:

H. M. S. Broke (the leader).
Vansittart.
Venomous.
Volunteer.
Whitcomb.
Whitshed.
Witch.
Worcester.
Wren.

The Broke is of 1,750 tons, and has five 4.7-inch guns and one 3-inch gun, whilst the other destroyers are armed with four 4.7-inchers, and with the exception of the Witch (1,850) are of 1,325 tons.

In addition, we understand that the cruiser Emerald (7,550 tons, seven 6-inch, three 4-inch guns, four 3-pounders) from the East Indies squadron, is due about Christmas Day; whilst H.M.S. Enterprise (of similar tonnage and armament to the Emerald) which has been expected for some time, is arriving to-day, to join the China squadron.

END OF THE B.B.C.

NEW CORPORATION NOT TO BE FETTERED.

Rugby, Dec. 17.
The control of telephonic broadcasting in Britain passes at the end of the year from the British Broadcasting Company to a State controlled corporation.

At a dinner last night, the Premier and other prominent men paid tribute to the manner in which private enterprise had developed telephonic broadcasting in Britain during the past four years, making particular reference to the quality of entertainment provided, and the complete impartiality of the domestic news bulletins.

The Postmaster-General, referring to the corporation's powers, said the changed status would give the corporation more freedom. So far from it being fettered by legislation, it would be more independent, apart from restrictions which for the present were imposed upon broadcasting of editorial and of controversial matter of particular types. The conduct of business, technical arrangements and composition of programmes lay solely in the discretion of the governors of the new corporation, and this discretion he promised to maintain.

Mr. Reith, present managing director of the company, who will be Director General of the new corporation, said the world's chief broadcast system would be believed, eventually, to be so interrelated that barriers of nationality, language and geography would be overcome.—*British Wireless.*

HANKOW DEMANDS.

RACE CLUB PROFITS TO BE TAPPED.

Hankow, Dec. 17.
The Political Bureau has demanded one fifth of the profits of the Hankow Race Club, which, as is well known, is not only a race club but also the chief foreign recreation and social amusement centre here.

It is situated in Chinese territory, a mile and a half outside the British concession, and is registered as a British company.

The Bureau also demands that the club books be audited by the Bureau, as are at present the books of all Chinese storekeepers in the native city.

All the Chinese jewellery stores have closed down on account of the demands by the unions and the high taxation.—*Reuter.*

RUBBER RESULTS.

RECENT DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. report that the following Dividends have been declared on Straits rubber and tin shares:

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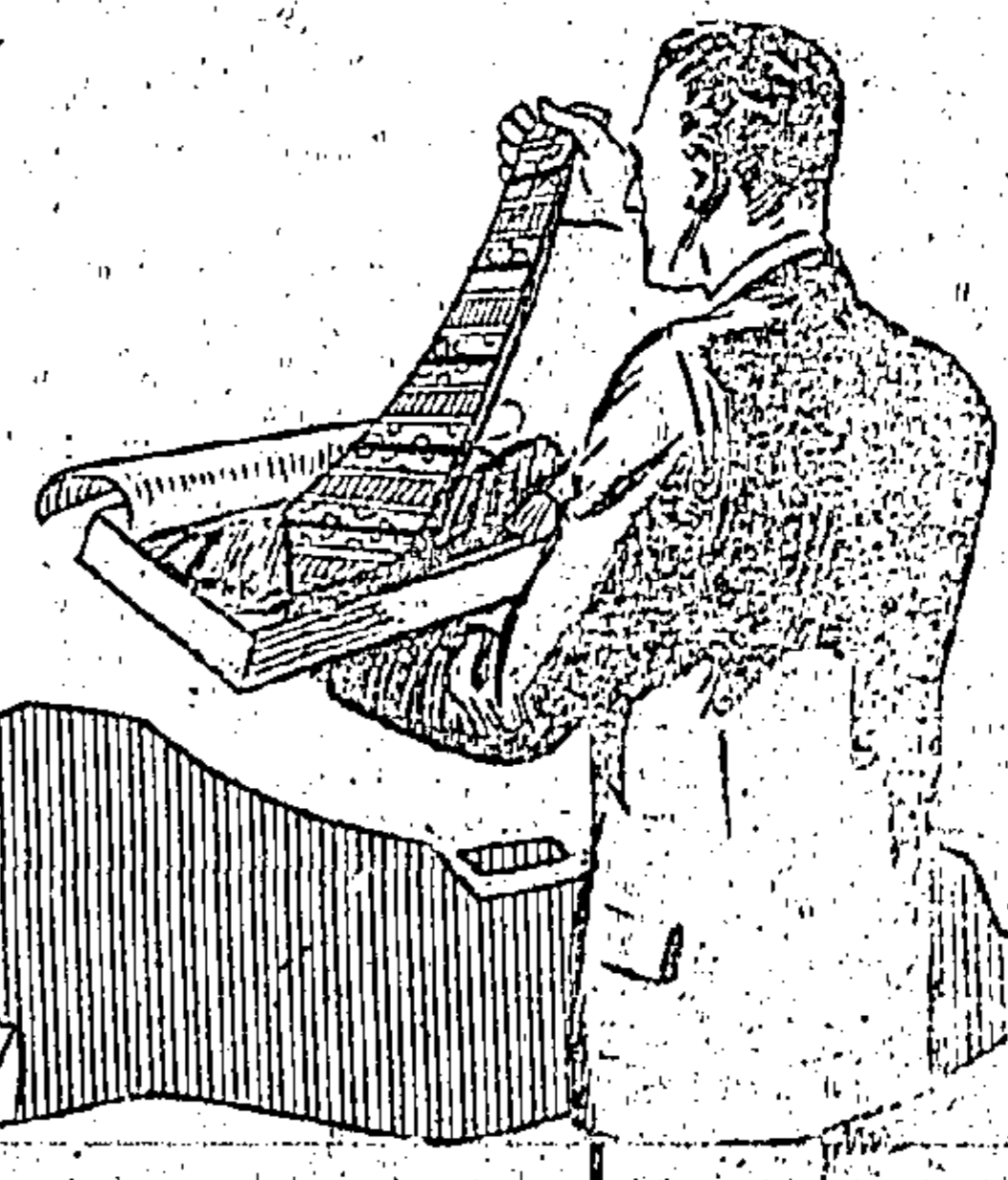
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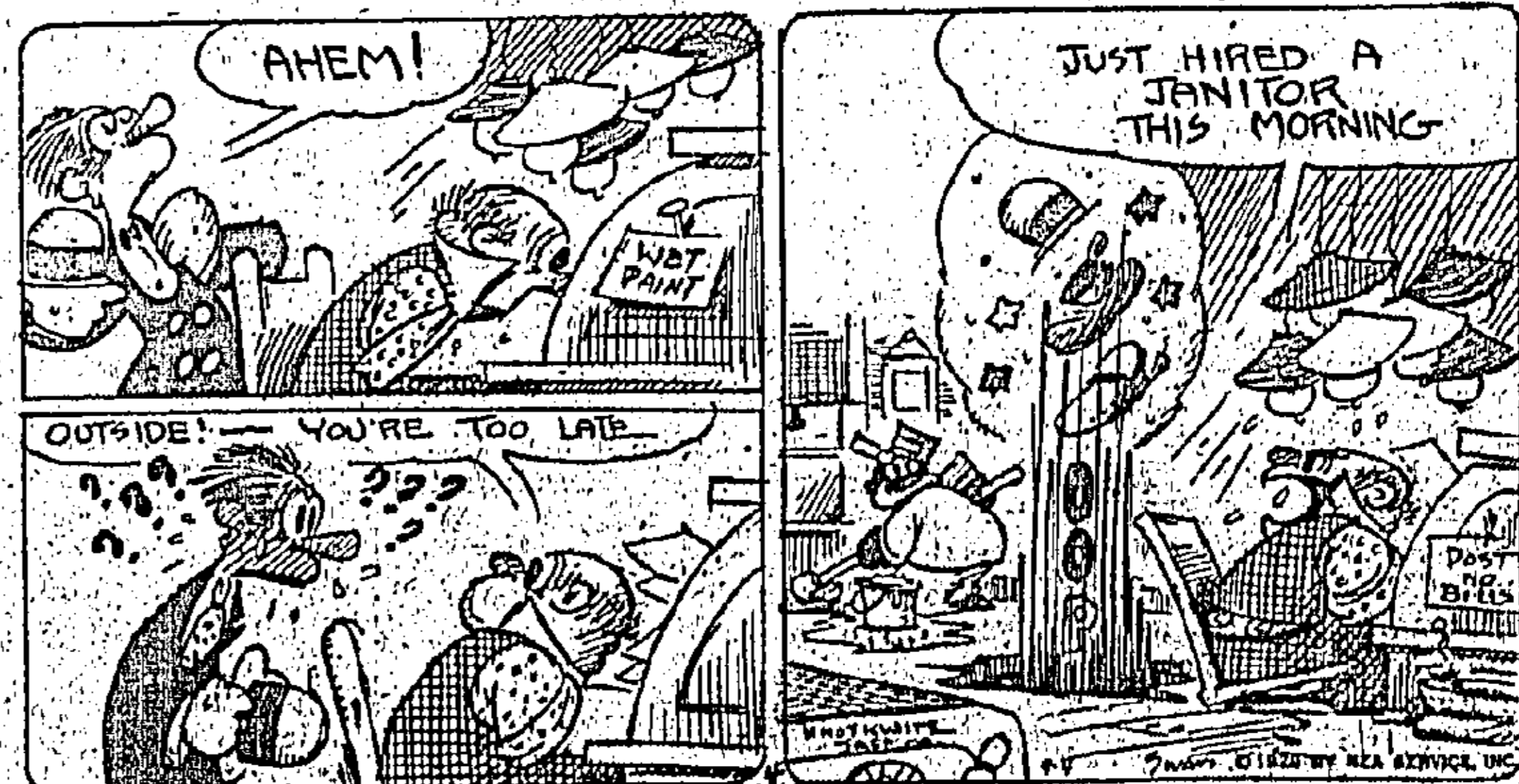
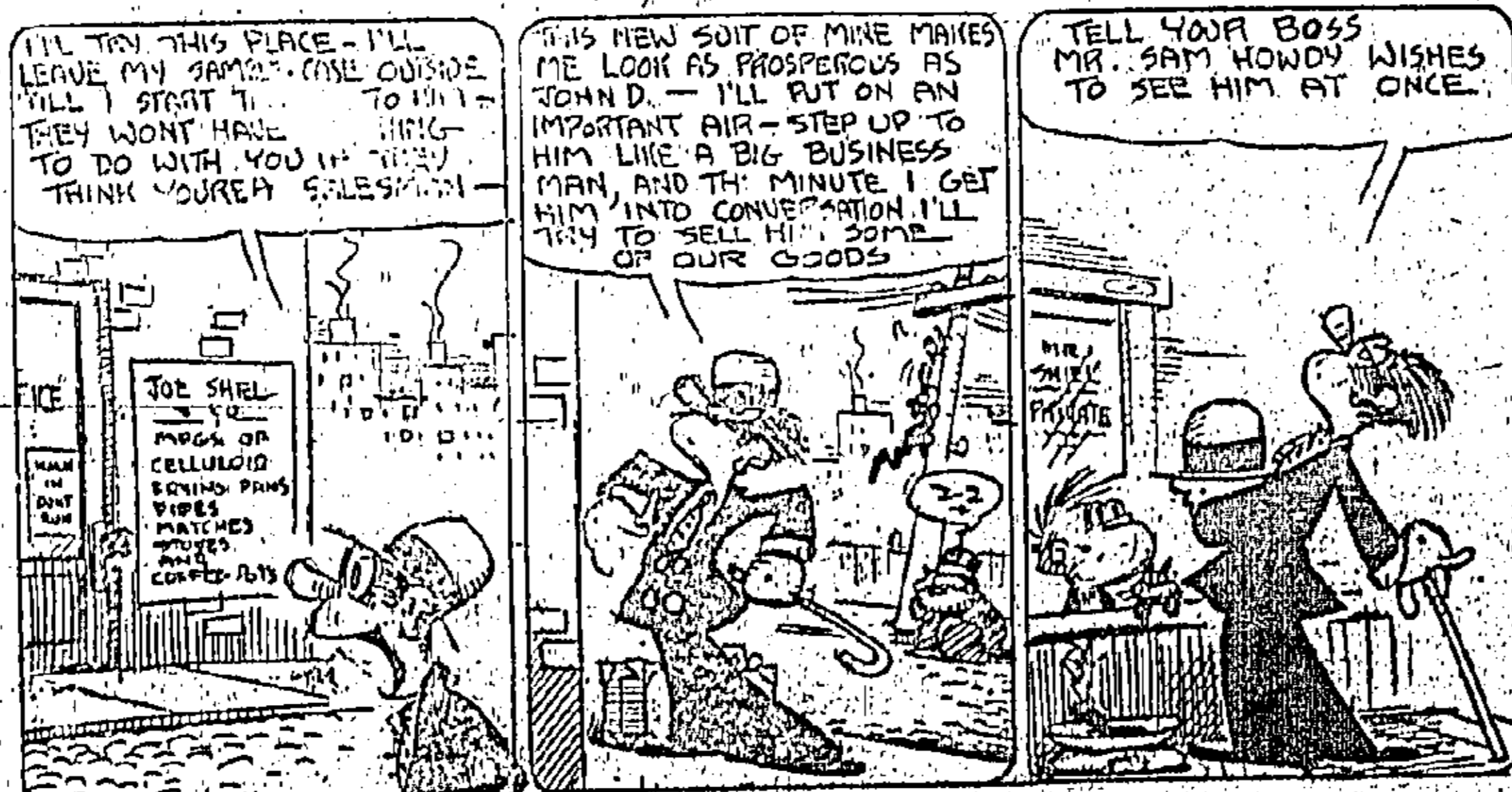
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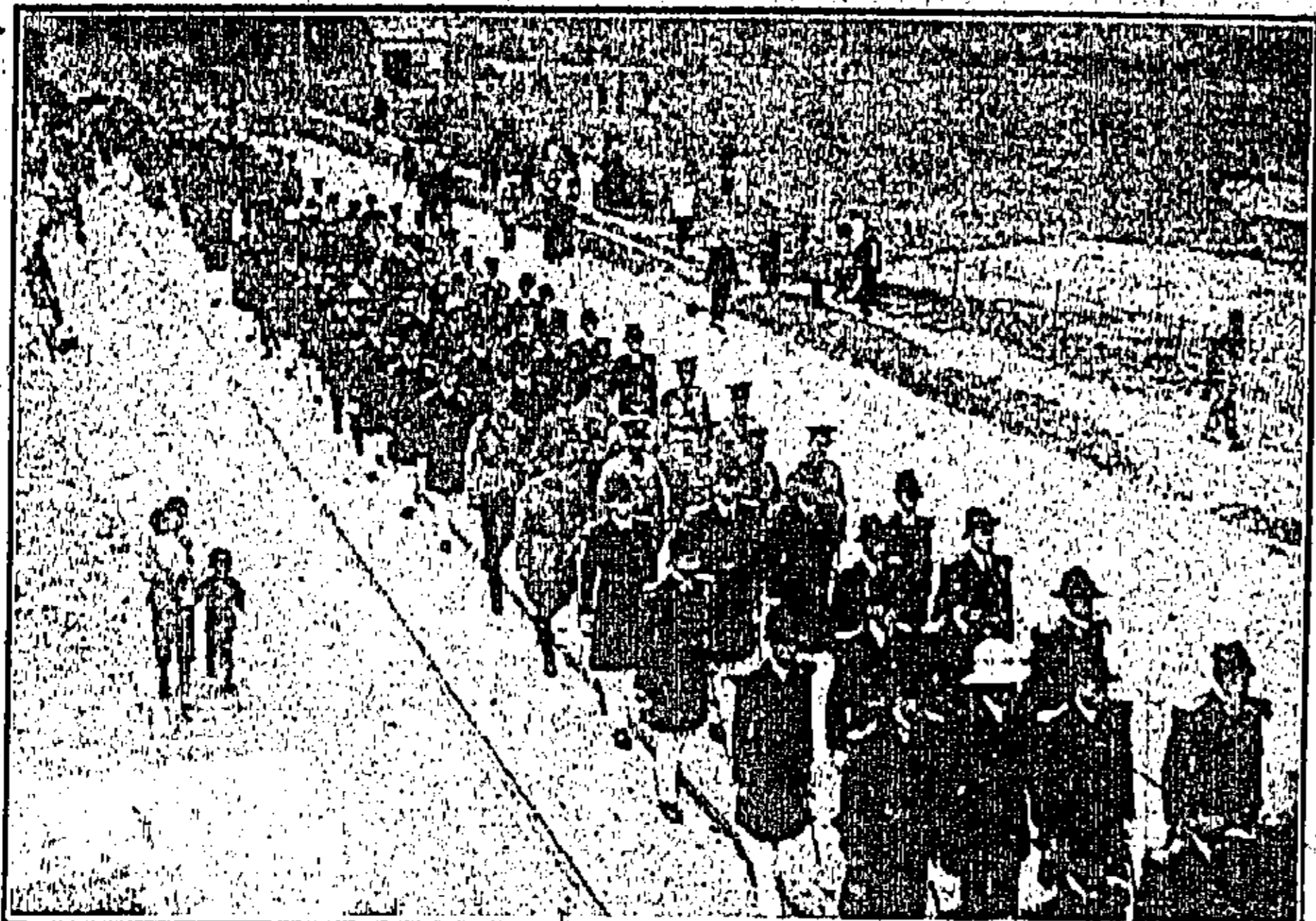
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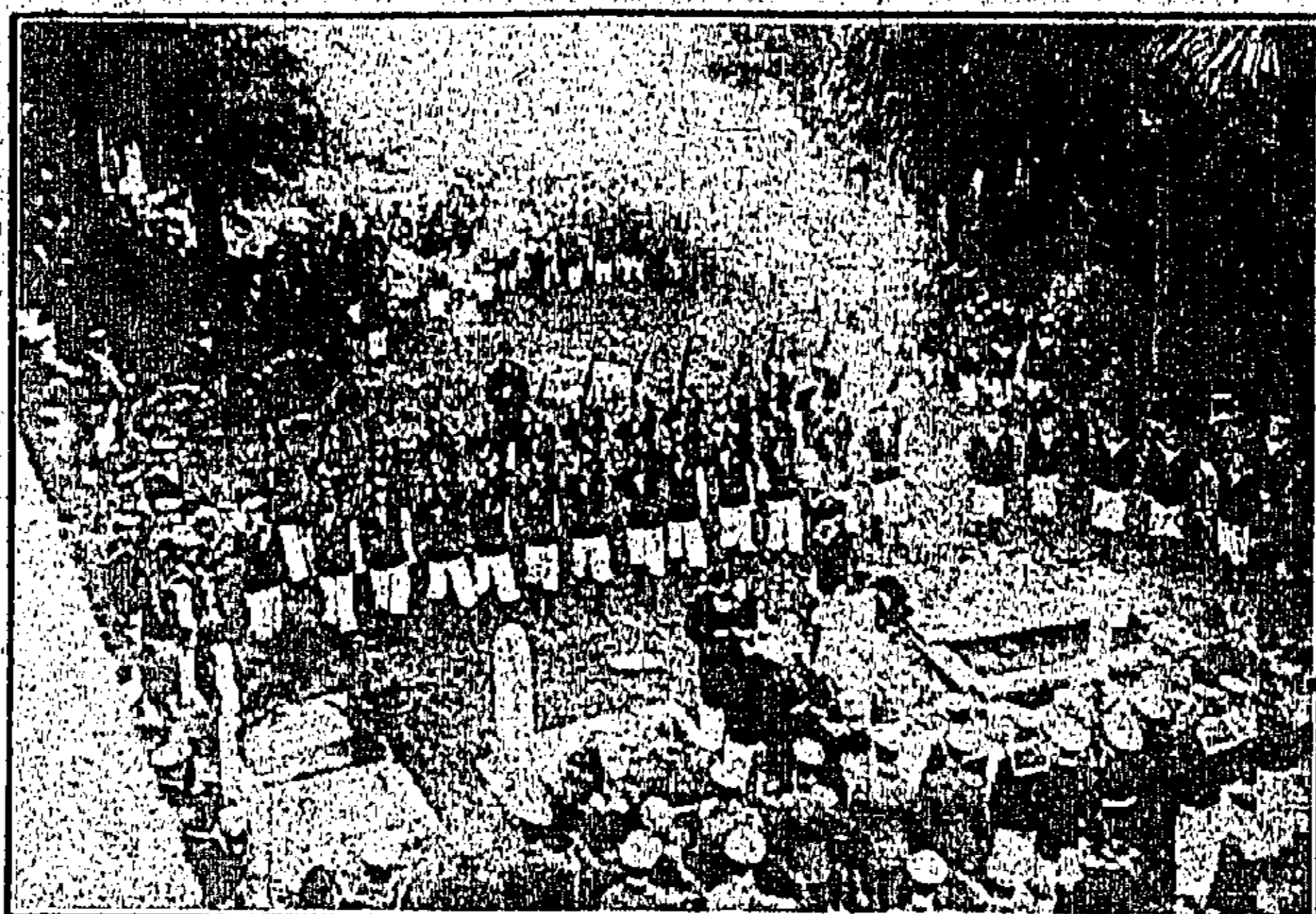
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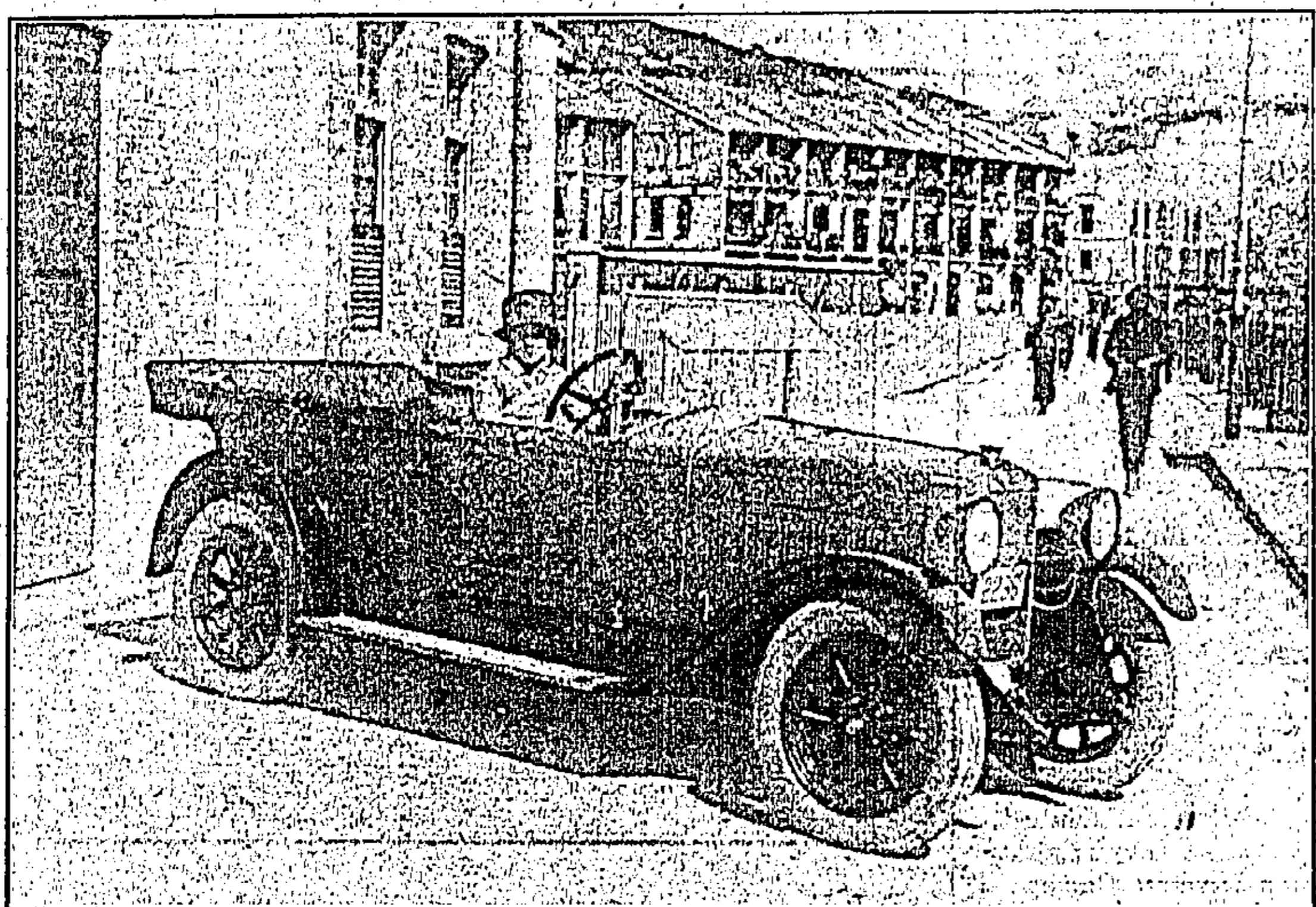




Part of the funeral procession of the late Lieut. M. A. Maude, R.N., the well-known flying officer, who met with a fatal accident whilst shooting on Lantau Island last Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The last sad rites for the late Lieut. M. A. Maude, R.N., at Happy Valley, showing the sounding of the Last Post and the firing of a volley by naval party. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



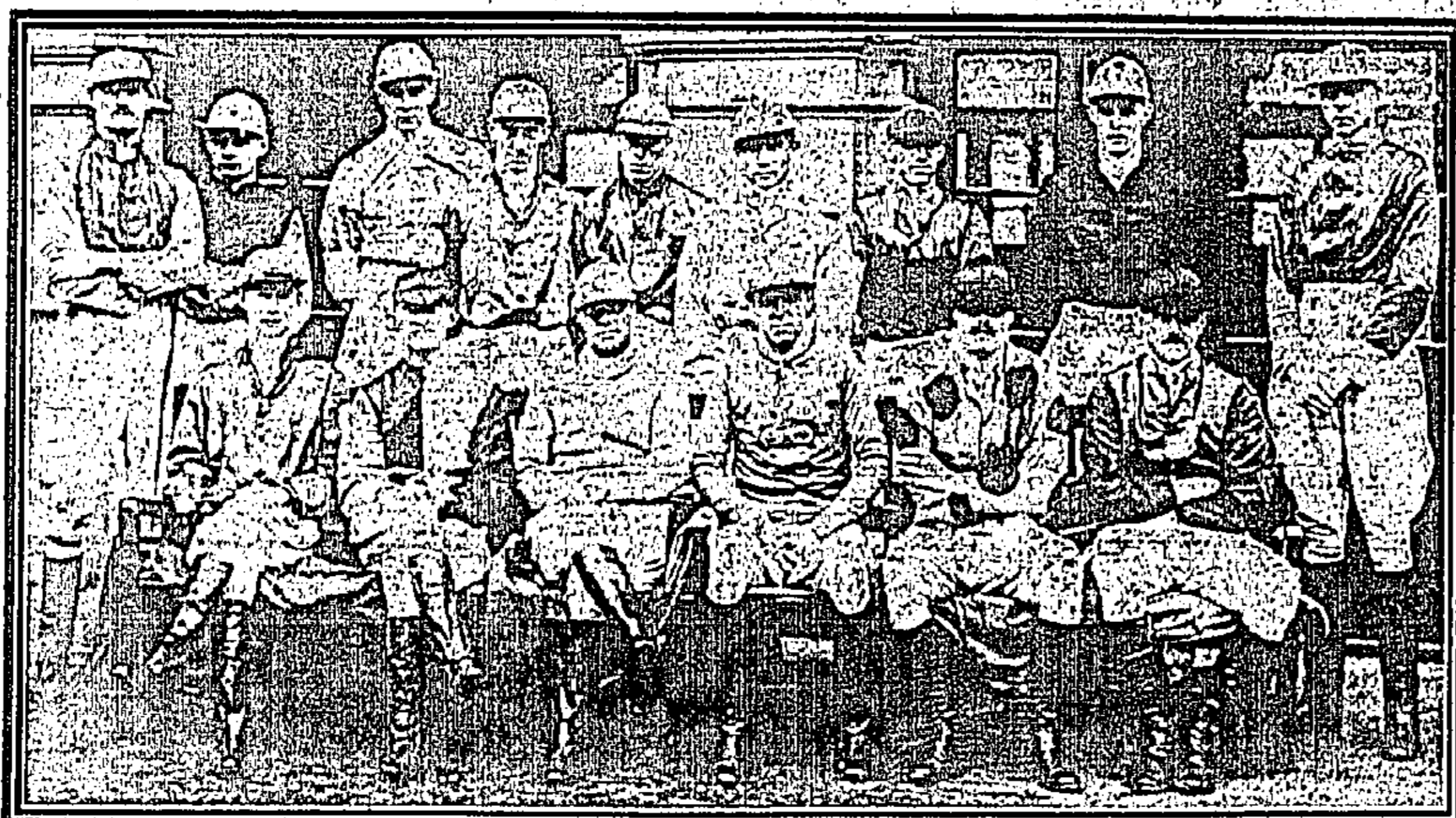
Little Miss Peggy Everest in the Fiat motor car which she won at the St. Vincent de Paul Society's recent raffle.



H. E. Senhor Artur Tamagnini Barbosa, Governor of Macao, and Mme. Barbosa.



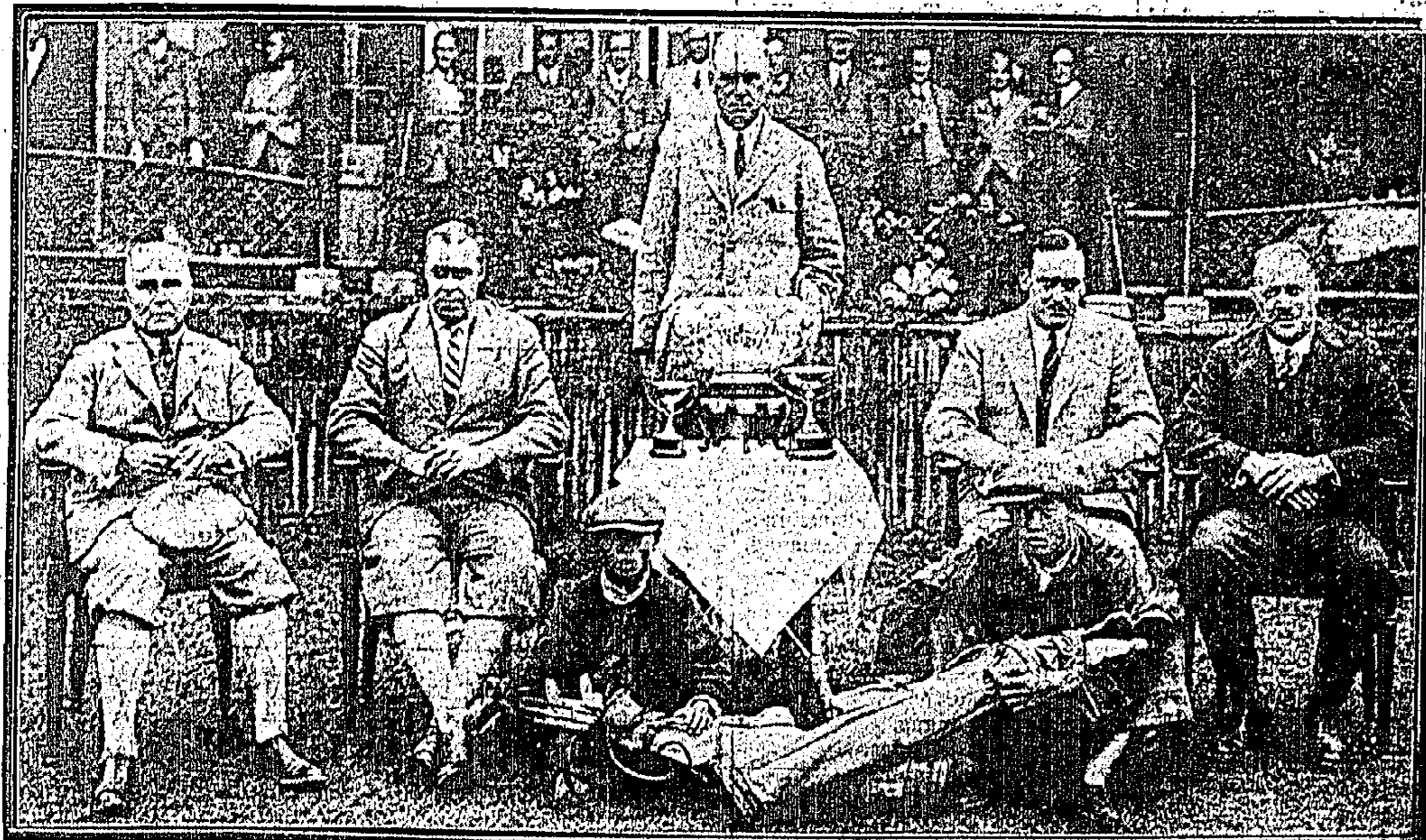
The Marquis of Clydesdale, who has been on a tour of the world but unfortunately could not fix up a bout in Hongkong.



Group taken on St. Andrew's Day before the Ewo Handicap, an annual race of almost hoary antiquity in Shanghai. Left to right, standing: Messrs. T. D. Gram, A. N. Dallas, R. D. Kent, D. M. Dunn, D. A. Langdon, G. D. Raeburn, W. G. Johns, C. L. Oliphant, W. J. Keswick. Seated: Messrs. A. Kidd, E. B. Clarke, A. J. P. Heard, B. D. F. Beith, G. J. Lyon and V. D. K. Craddock.



Mr. A. J. Brock, as Major General Stanley in "The Pirates of Penzance." (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Sitting: Messrs. R. G. MacDonald (President of the Shanghai Golf Club), A. R. Blinco (runner-up in the Championship), M. W. Budd (Champion), and Capt. E. L. M. Barrett (Vice-President of the S. G. C.). Standing: Mr. A. Gray (Captain S. G. C.). Our group was taken at Kiangwan on the occasion of the final match in the S. G. C. Championship, which was won by Mr. Budd who in the second round returned a card of 67, a record for the course.



Eddie Egan, heavy weight amateur champion of the world, who is to meet Stoker Addison, of H.M.S. Hormos, on Tuesday next.

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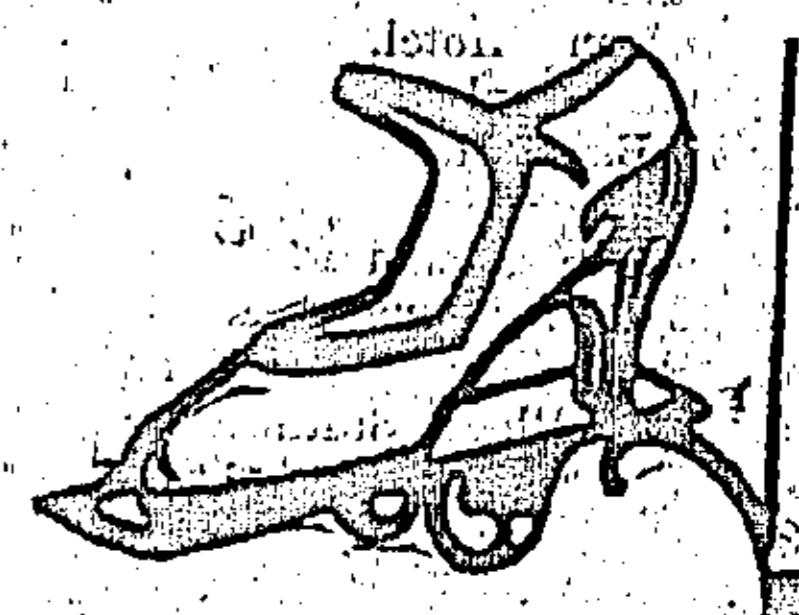
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG. COMPANIES WINDING UP NO. 1 OF 1924.

In the Matter of the Companies Ordinances, 1911-1925, and
In the Matter of the Chinese Merchants Bank, Limited
(In Liquidation.)

Second Dividend of Ten per cent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Second dividend of Ten per centum has been declared in this matter, and that the same may be received at my office, Chartered Bank Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on the 20th day of December, 1926, or on any subsequent day, between the hour of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Upon applying for payment creditors must produce the notices sent to them together with any Bills of Exchange, Deposit Receipts, Pass Books or Securities held by them.

JOHN FLEMING, C.A.,
Liquidator.
Hongkong, Dec. 19, 1926.

OFFICIAL NOTICE. PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIPS NAME.

I, Chow Sik Cheung, of No. 48, Connaught Road West, Victoria, Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of a change of ownership I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the ship Fook Sing of Hongkong Official number 152089 of gross tonnage 838.84 tons, register tonnage 627.52 tons, heretofore owned by Chow Wing Kan for the permission to change her name to Wing Hung and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by the Kwong On Company Limited.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hongkong within seven days from the appearance of this advertisement.

(sgd.) CHOW SIK CHEUNG.
Dated at Hongkong, this 17th day of December, 1926.

CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

The offices and stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 22nd, 25th, 27th December, 1926, and 1st and 2nd January, 1927.

F. HAYLEY BELL,
Commissioner of Chinese Customs,
Kowloon and District.
Office of Chinese Maritime Customs For Kowloon and District,
York Buildings.
Hongkong, 17th Dec., 1926.

THE INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO LIMITED.

M A C A O.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Inaugural Race Meeting for China ponies of this Club will take place at Macao on the 6th February, 1927, next, if weather permits. There will be only one event at this Meeting, "The Trial Stakes."

The first annual Spring Meeting for China ponies is scheduled to take place on the 16th, 17th, 18th and 24th April, 1927. The Champion Sweepstake will be run on the 18th April, the 3rd day of the Meeting.

By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

THE CHIEF AND PETTY OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL NAVY CHINA SQUADRON.

Will hold their Annual Dinner and ball
on
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DECEMBER, 1926,
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Commencing at 8.15 p.m., Dancing
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NEW TERRITORIES, HONGKONG.

In the matter of the Fuk Tin Tong.
To All to Whom it may concern—

Whereas the following properties situate in the New Territories and registered as Lots Nos. 939, 950, 964, 965, 968, 969, 970, 972, 974, 1104, 1105, 1108, 1114, 1116, 1119, 1120, 1121, 1123, 1124, 1125, 1126, 1127, 1131, 1132, 1134, 1137, 1163 and 1177, in District No. 4 at Cheu and 1177, in District No. 4 at Cheung Sha Wan in the New Territories, Colony of Hongkong, are the properties of the Fuk Tin Tong and Whereas it is the intention of the Manager of the said Fuk Tin Tong to distribute the said properties and certain funds belonging to the Tong which are now in the possession of the Manager among the persons entitled thereto, NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having any claim against or interests in the above properties or funds or in the said Fuk Tin Tong must forward the same in writing to the District Officer South not later than Friday, the 31st day of December, 1926, after which date no claim or demand will be entertained and the District Officer will sanction the distribution of the properties and funds of the said Fuk Tin Tong among the claimants whose claims have been duly approved.

W. SCHOFIELD,
District Officer, South.
Dated this 30th day of
November, 1926.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on Monday the 3rd day of January, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on Thursday, the 20th day of January, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the said alterations, amendments and differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in red ink can be seen during usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Dated the 16th day of Dec., 1926.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Just for Xmas: A small and beautiful stock of articles de Paris: Ladies dresses, Lingerie, Cosmetics, etc., to be sold at very low prices from Monday, December 20th, daily from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. Room, No. 3, Kowloon Hotel.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on MONDAY,
the 20th December, 1926,
commencing at 3.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.
A Quantity of Beer, Wine and Spirits.

comprising:—
Beer, Gin, Champagne, Vermouth, etc., etc.

(to be put up in suitable lots.)
On View on Day of Sale.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on MONDAY,
the 20th December, 1926,
commencing at 10.00 a.m.

at Godown No. 18, The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon.

A Large Quantity of
Miscellaneous Goods.

comprising:—

Round Iron, Broken Glass, Glass Sweepings, Lubricating Oil, Sulphate of Ammonia, Wax, Fir Lumber, Fungus, Beche de mer, Flour, Leather, Sweepings of Rose Wood, Matches, Angle Iron, Flat Iron, Enamelled Vessels, Cynamide, Clocks, Ornamental Plaster Work, Porcelain, Bolts and Nuts, Wire, Nails, Paint Samples, Linseed Oil, Turpentine, Iron Pipe, Red Oxide Paint, Galvanized Iron Ware, Square Iron, Hoop Iron, Old Iron Sheet, Gas Pipe Fittings, Loose Piece Goods, Winch Handle, Steel Channels, Oil, China Ware, Thermos Bottles, Cement, Naphthalene, Sulphuric Acid, Planks, Kraft Cheese, Corn Starch, Tins, Fruit Salad, Betel Nut Husks, Sardines, Bartlett Pears, Sardines, Sauer Kraut, Rolled Oats, Apricots, Glass, Goloshes, Baking Powder, Tomatoes, Canned Cherries, Syrup, Sausages, Milk, Asparagus Tips, Embroidery, Handkerchiefs, Stamp Ink, Cake Cinders, Advertising Matter, Medicine Tablets, Dynamo, Buttons, Storage Battery Parts, Safe, etc., etc.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from the Executor of the late Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, to sell by Public Auction,

on TUESDAY,
the 21st December, 1926,
commencing at 10.30 a.m. with an interval from 12.30 to 2.30 p.m.

at "Taiwo" Barker Road,
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A Large Quantity of Household Furniture & Curios.

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At No. 2, Bungalow, North Point (Behind Taxi Cab Co., Depot, Immediate West of Government Quarry Tsut Tze Mui).

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At The Godowns of The China Navigation Co., Ltd., West Point.

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Our advice for Xmas!

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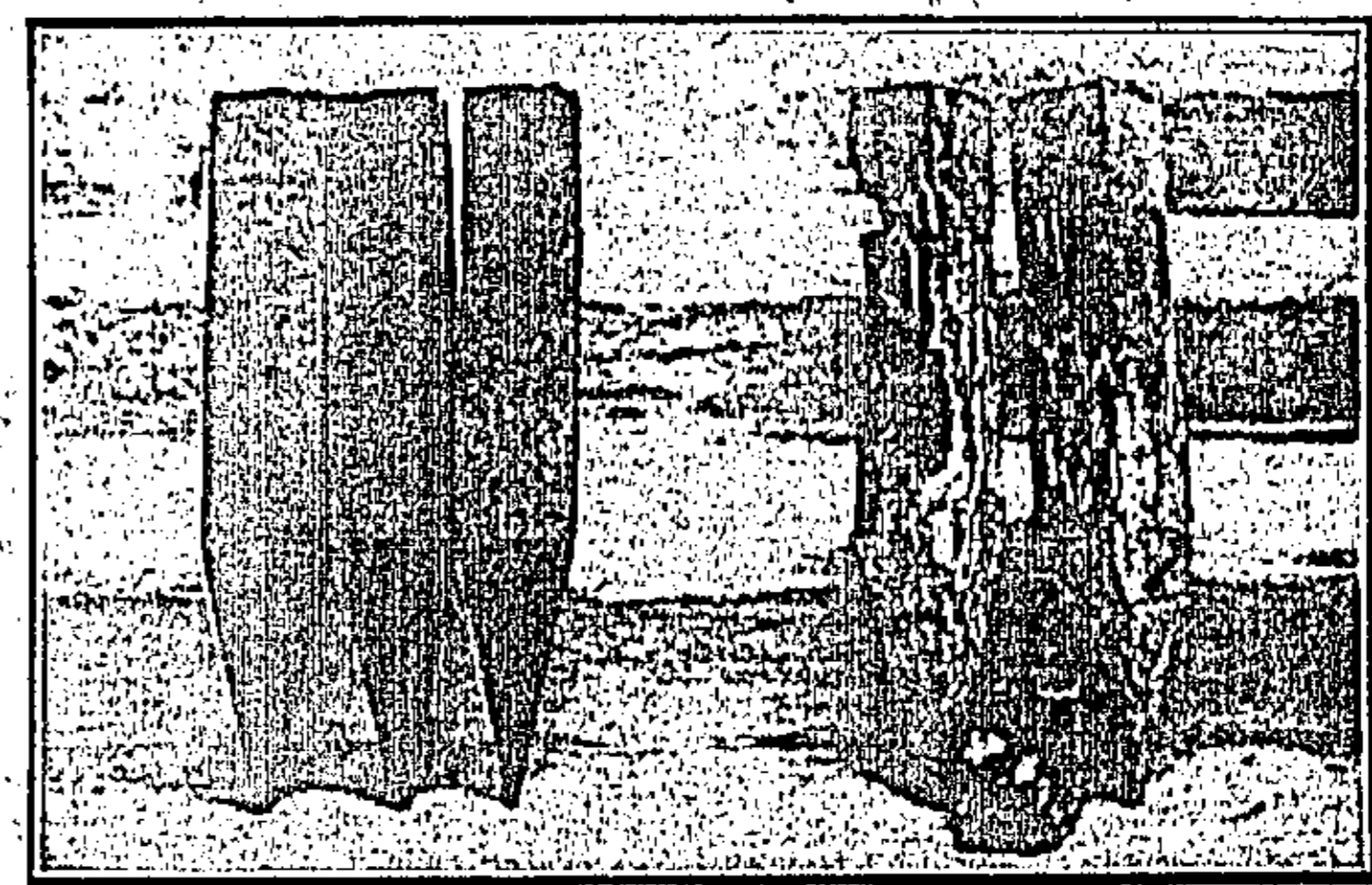
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WHAT IS REVEALED BY VOICE RECORD.

The greatest advances in modern medicine, says the *Graphic*, have been along lines of early and accurate diagnosis; once the disease condition is recognized and isolated it can be treated, and with early treatment there is definite hope of complete recovery.

An interesting article adds: In general medicine the physician today is no longer dependent on his own powers of observation in making a diagnosis, but can call in specialized help, such as the pathologist, the bacteriologist, and the radiographer, whose science have reached a marvellous degree of accuracy.

In neurology—the science of the nervous system—early diagnosis and treatment are of paramount importance, for once degeneration of a nerve have taken place within the central nervous system—that is, the brain and spinal cord—regeneration cannot occur, and though the sufferer may learn to accommodate himself to the injury, the organic defect cannot be made good.

During the last 20 years or so neurology has made great strides both in the recognition of diseases in their early stages and their causative factors, and the outlook has changed accordingly from one of hopelessness to that of certain knowledge that at least something can be done to ameliorate the condition.

Speech Observation.

The critical observation of the components of speech should be helpful in early diagnosis, as this faculty of speech is undoubtedly one of the most recently evolved combinations of nerve and muscle.

At the West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases, the method of observation used is as follows: The speech record is taken by the patient speaking into a flexible mouthpiece, which is connected by a wide-bore rubber tube to a loose diaphragm linked to a light lever, so that any movement of the diaphragm is magnified.

The oscillations thus obtained trace a line on the surface of smoked paper around a revolving drum; the paper is removed and varnished and the tracing can then be studied and subjected to microscopic examination and measurement. The nature of the diaphragm is such that it fulfils a dual purpose: (1) of recording the actual speech vibrations—"intonation"; (2) by not being taut, it allows the explosive character of

"EVIL RAYS."

SIMPLER EXPLANATION SUGGESTED.

It was reported that the Rev. George Glandfield, a Wesleyan minister, of Brightlingsea, Essex, had cured many people by removing from their homes furniture, an elderdown and other articles which, according to his theory, emitted "evil rays."

While admitting the possibility and even likelihood of the cures performed by the Rev. George Glandfield, it is very difficult to accept his explanation of the way in which they are brought, says a medical writer.

That we know nothing about these mysterious rays does not, of course, prove that they do not exist; but as the cures seem susceptible of other explanations, which conform to scientific facts already within our knowledge, it would be well to consider these before pinning our faith to the rays.

In the first place, there is the element of suggestion exercised by a powerful and sympathetic personality. That may account for a great deal, but probably not for all, of Glandfield's successes.

Another factor which in this connection must be given considerable weight is what is known as the influence of foreign proteins. These substances, though perfectly harmless to the majority, have been proved to exercise a very baneful influence upon the few.

May be Eggs and Feathers.

The list includes a variety of substances which seem to have nothing in common except their capacity to provoke unpleasant and even serious symptoms in human beings. Such are eggs, feathers, horsehair, cats' fur, the pollen of certain flowers, certain drugs, and so on.

These substances are known to be capable of producing asthma in the predisposed, and, short of asthma, which is a violent ebullition, they and their congeners are often the unsuspected causes of all kinds of vague and ill-defined symptoms which render the lives of the sufferers a constantly recurring misery. Elderdowns and cushions are common sources of offence in this respect.

aspirates and so forth to be clearly demarked on the tracing.

The simplest speech sounds require accurate co-ordination of the muscles of the larynx, mouth and respiratory system. Often the mere inspection of the record will be sufficient to form a diagnosis; the diagram shows the characteristic changes that occur.

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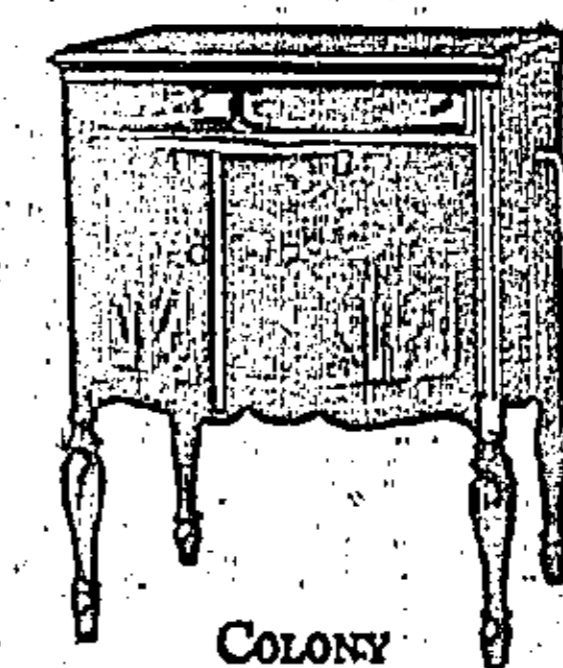
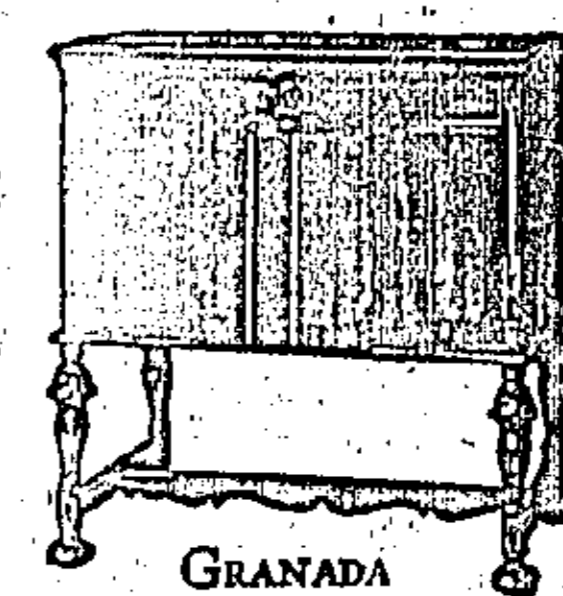
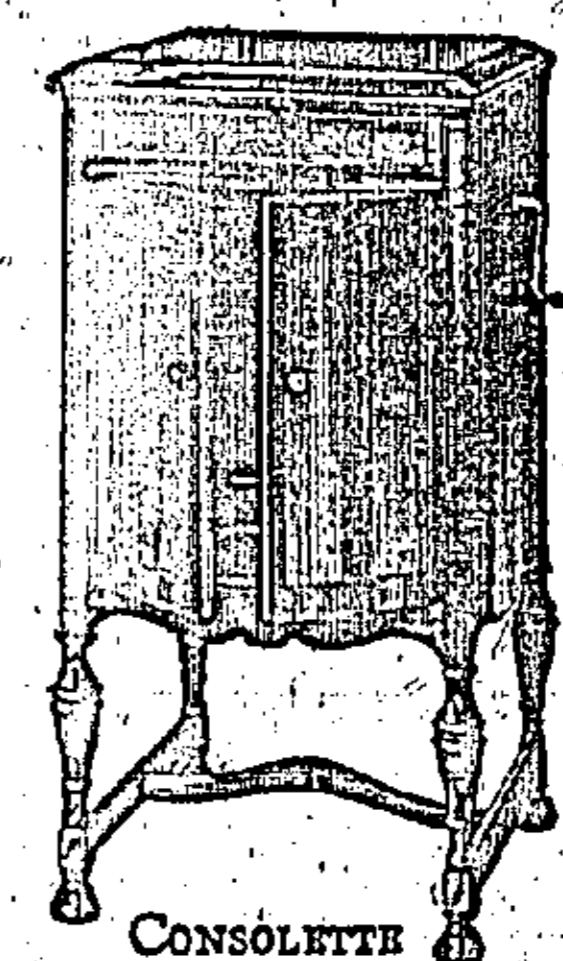
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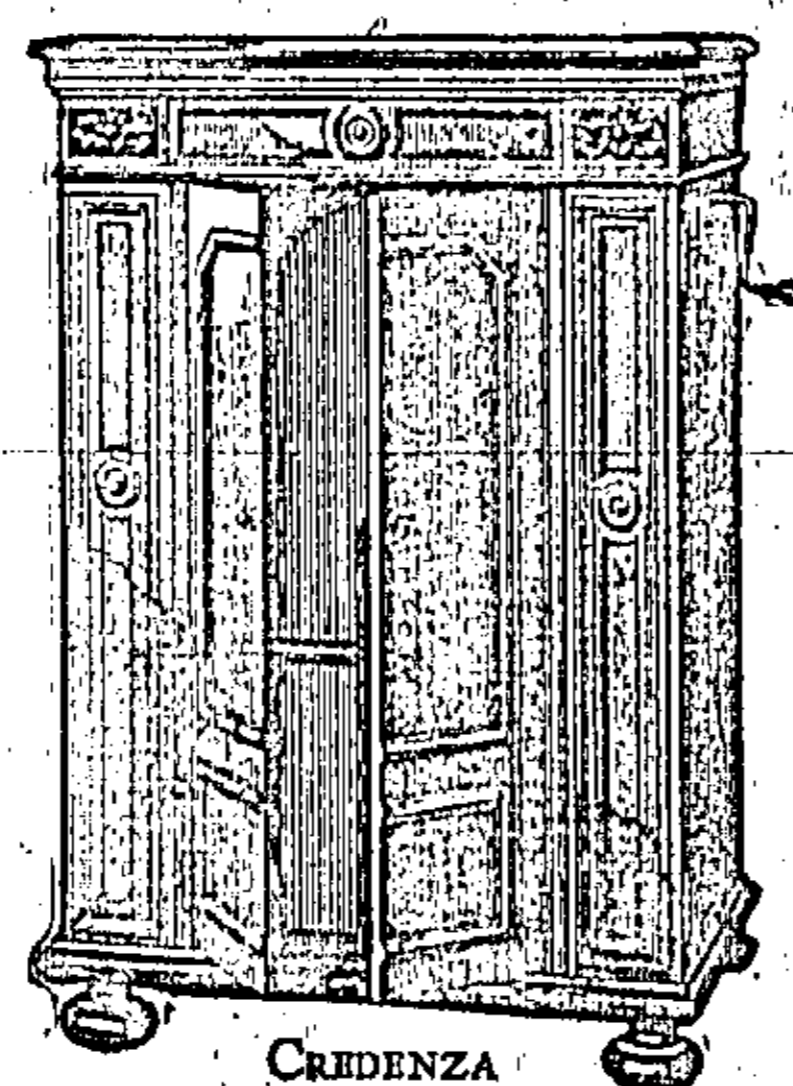
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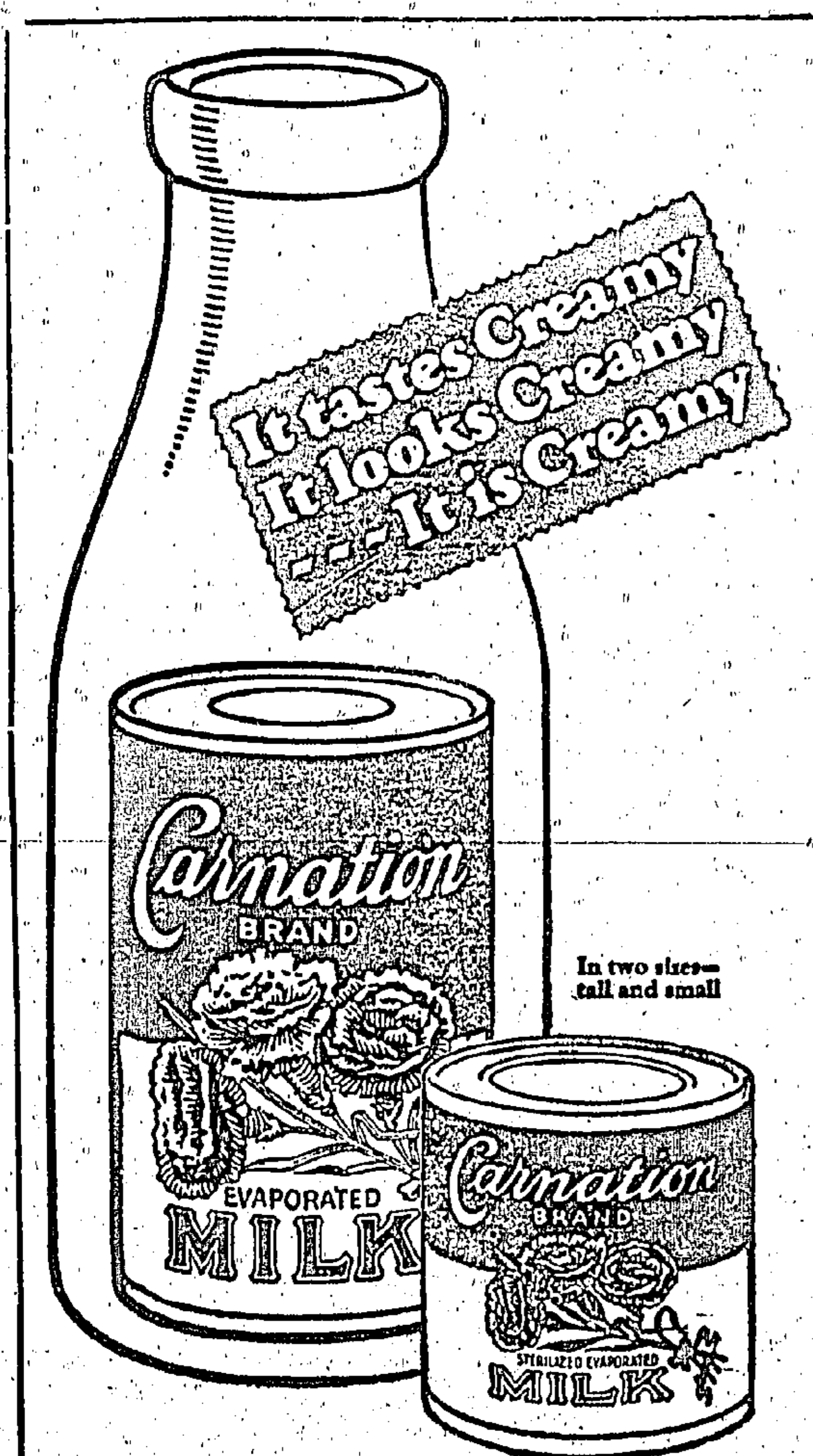
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The text of Trotsky's speech at the Pan-Russian Communist Party Conference is now published. Re-

ferring to the Opposition, Trotsky declared, according to the Tass Agency, that the differences between the Opposition and the Communist Party were as follows:—

The Opposition considered the progress of the industrialisation of the U.S.S.R. too slow, and attached considerable importance to the process of differentiation

amongst the peasantry, urging that differentiation amongst the peasantry rendered necessary a new taxation policy, having regard to the different classes of peasants. In regard to wages, the Opposition believed that higher wages must not depend on the increased productivity of labour, but, on the contrary, must be a preliminary

condition to a higher rate of productivity.

Trotsky declared that the victory of Socialism in the U.S.S.R. could only be achieved in conjunction with the victorious revolution of the European proletariat, and that there were no theoretical or political reasons to warrant the belief that it would be easier for the Rus-

sian proletariat to build up Socialism than it would be for the European proletariat to take over the reins of power.

Kameneff declared that the Opposition intended to uphold its views in the future. Nevertheless, it considered it its duty to submit to party discipline.

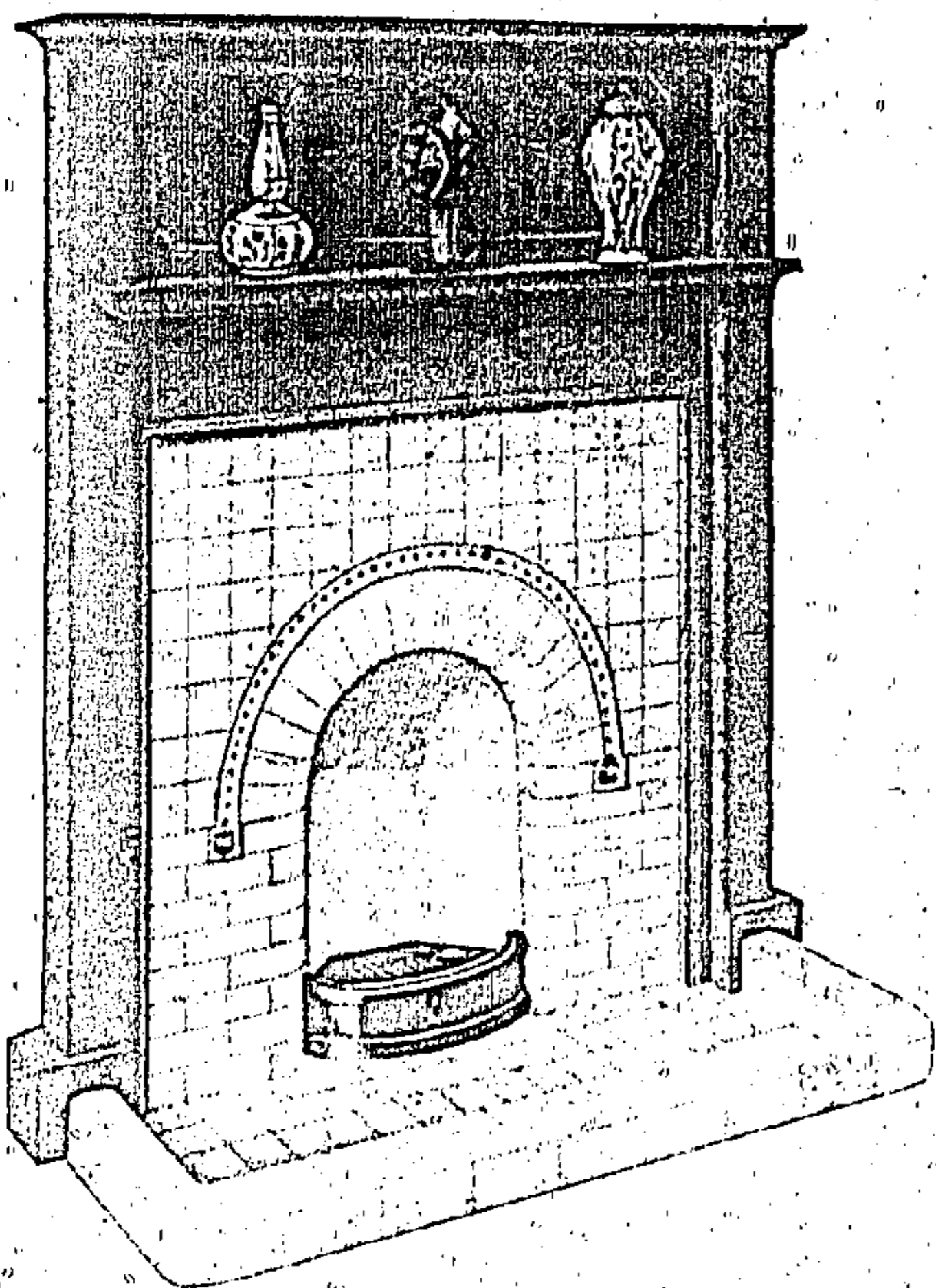
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"A plea for the removal of restrictions upon European trade," signed by the leading bankers and outstanding representatives of industry throughout Europe (excepting Russia), as well as by a number of American signatories, including Mr. J. P. Morgan, was issued recently.

The British signatories include the heads of the great banks, including Mr. Montagu Norman (the Governor of the Bank of England), and leaders of industry, including the heads of Vickers, Weir & Co., Arthur Balfour and Co., Rylands Brothers, Tootal Broadhurst Lee Co., the President of the Textile Institute, Col. Vernon Willey (last year's president of the Federation of British Industries), and Sir Percy Woodhouse (chairman of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce).

The declaration reads as follows:—

We desire, as business men, to draw attention to certain grave and disquieting conditions which, in our judgment, are retarding the return to prosperity.

It is difficult to view without dismay the extent to which tariff barriers, special licences, and prohibitions since the war have been allowed to interfere with international trade and to prevent it from flowing in its natural channels. At no period in recent history has freedom from such restrictions been more needed to enable traders to adapt themselves to new and difficult conditions. And at no period have impediments to trading been more seriously multiplied without a true appreciation of the economic consequences involved.

The break-up of great political units in Europe dealt a heavy blow to international trade. Across large areas, in which the inhabitants had been allowed to exchange their products freely, a number of new frontiers were erected and jealously guarded by Customs barriers. Old markets disappeared. Racial animosities were permitted to divide communities whose interests were inseparably connected. The situation is not unlike that which would be created if a confederation of States were to dissolve the ties which bind them, and to proceed to penalise and hamper, instead of encouraging each other's trade. Few will doubt that under such conditions the prosperity of such a country would rapidly decline.

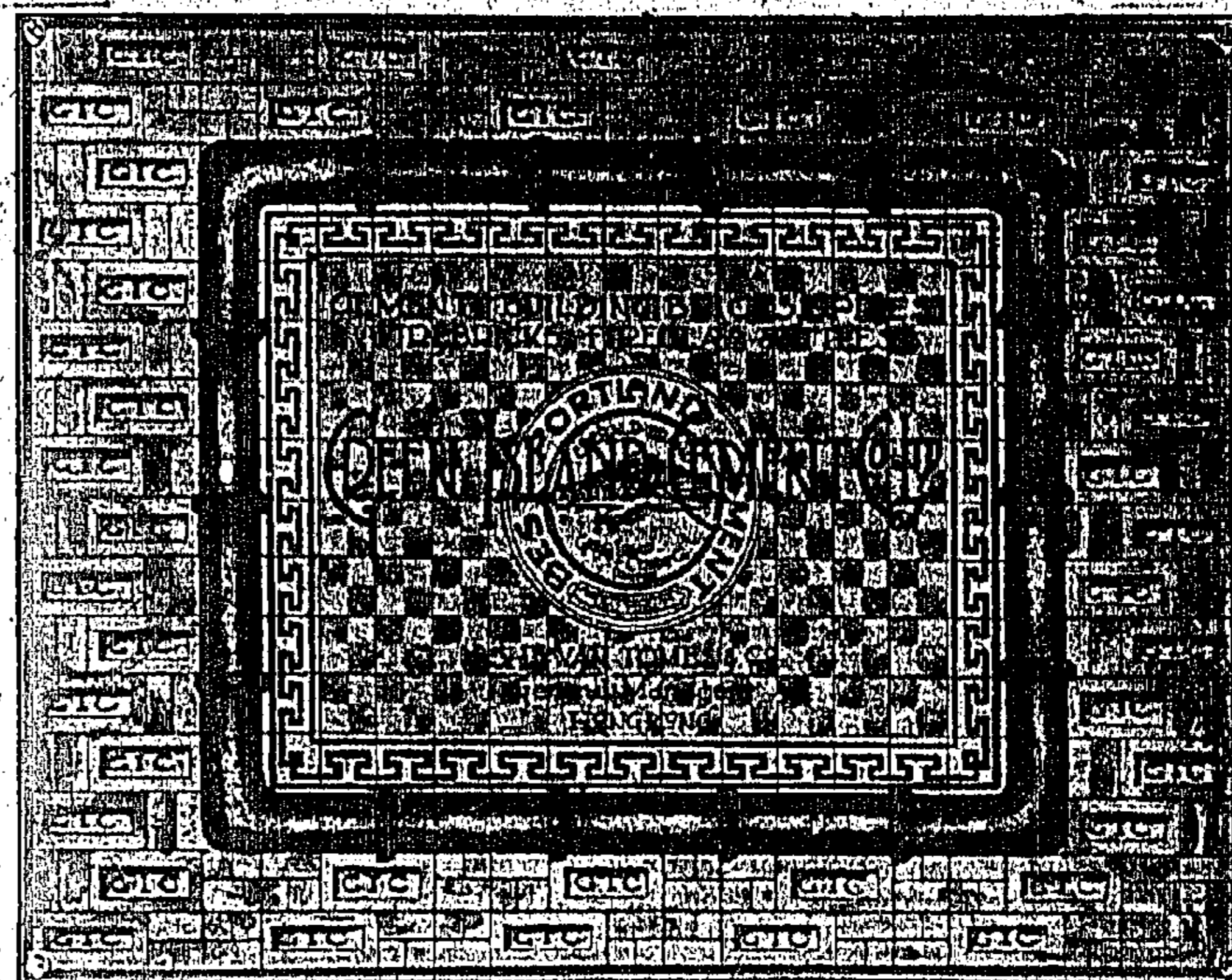
To mark and defend these new frontiers in Europe, licences, tariffs, and prohibitions were imposed, with results which experience shows already to have been unfortunate for all concerned. One State lost its supplies of cheap food, another its supplies of cheap manufactures. Industries suffered for want of coal, factories for want of raw materials. Behind the Customs barriers new local industries were started, with no real economic foundation, which could only be kept alive in the face of competition by raising the barriers higher still. Railway rates, dictated by political consideration, have made transit and freights difficult and costly. Prices have risen, artificial dearthness has been created. Production as a whole has been diminished. Credit has contracted and currencies have depreciated. Too many States, in pursuit of false deals of national interests, have imperilled their own welfare and lost sight of the common interests of the world by basing their commercial relations on the economic folly which treats all trading as a form of war.

The Folly of Restricting Imports.

There can be no recovery in Europe till politicians in all territories, old and new, realise that trade is not war but a process of exchange, that in time of peace our neighbours are our customers, and that their prosperity is a condition of our own well-being. If we check their dealings, their power to pay their debts diminishes, and their power to purchase our goods is reduced. Restricted imports involve restricted exports, and no nation can afford to lose its export trade. Dependent as we all are upon imports and exports, and upon the processes of international exchange, we cannot view without grave concern a policy which means the impoverishment of Europe.

Happily there are signs that opinion in all countries is awakening at last to the dangers ahead. The League of Nations and the International Chamber of Commerce

have been labouring to reduce to a minimum all formalities, prohibitions, and restrictions, to remove inequalities of treatment in other matters than tariffs, to facilitate the transport of passengers and goods. In some countries powerful voices are pleading for the suspension of tariffs altogether. Others have suggested the conclusion for long periods of commercial agreements embodying in every case the most-favoured-nation clause. Some States have recognised in recent treaties the necessity of freeing trade from the restrictions which depress it. And experience is slowly teaching others that the breaking-down of the economic barriers between them may prove the surest remedy for the stagnation which exists. On the valuable political results which might flow from such a policy, from the substitution of good-will for ill-will, of co-operation for exclusiveness, we will not dwell. But we wish to place on record our conviction that the establishment of economic freedom is the best hope of restoring the commerce and the credit of the world.



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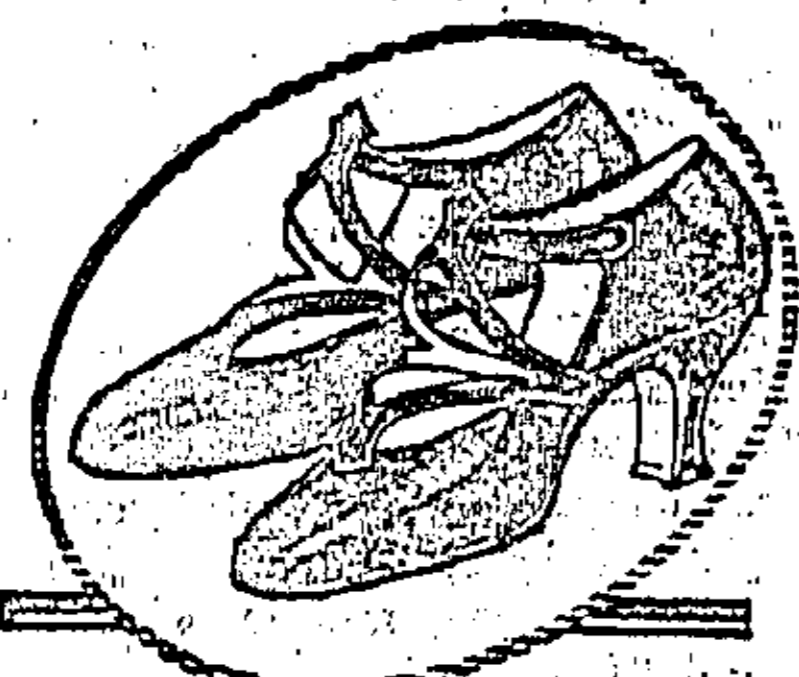
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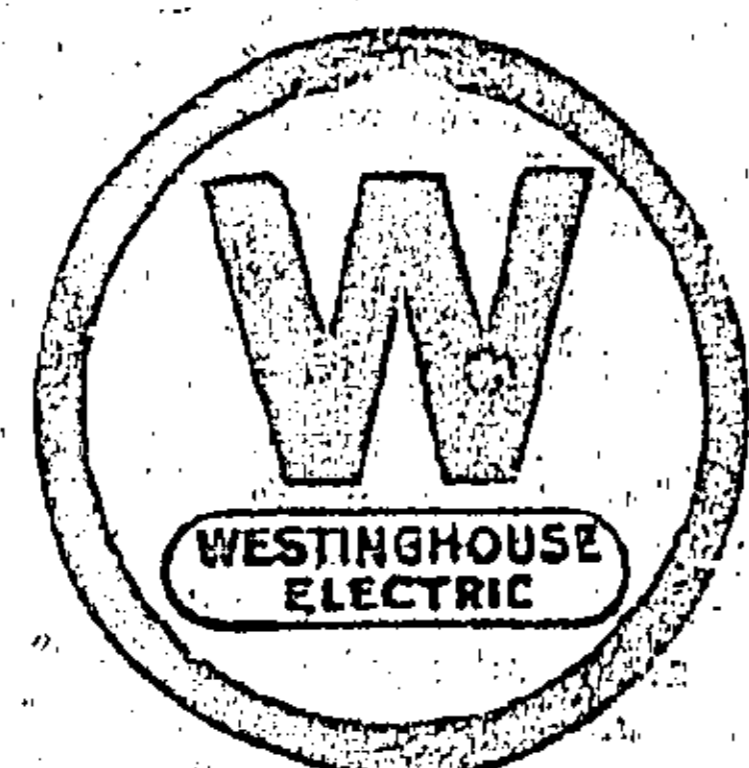
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OBITUARY.

DR. DRESSELHUYTS.

The Hague, Dec. 17.
The death is announced of Dr.
Dresselhuyts, the leader of the
Dutch Liberals.—Reuter.

Mr. Mok Lai-chi.

Mr. Mok Lai-chi has passed
away at his residence, 2 Bridges
Street, after a short illness.

Mr. Mok was born on the 10th
January, 1868. He was educated
at a private school and afterwards
at the Government Central School
(now known as Queen's College).
After graduating with honours at
the age 18, he was monitor for
about a year. For the next few
years he was employed at the
Royal Observatory, the Police
Court, and the Registrar General's
Office. In the year 1893, he started
the well-known Morrison English
School, teaching English and
Pitman Shorthand. This School
has been kept for over 33 years
and is still in existence. It was
the pioneer of the numerous private
schools that have sprung up
since that time.

The funeral will take place to-
morrow, Sunday, at 3 p.m.
R. M. L. writes.—Mr. Mok was
an indefatigable worker. Besides
his educational work, he was of
great service to the community at
large. He was for many years
Hon. Sec. to the original Y.M.C.A.
(known as Pui To Shu Shu), and
devoted all his leisure time to the
American Board Mission, being a
deacon and also superintendent of
a Sunday School. In 1907, he
founded the Pentecostal Mission of
which he was the Pastor. In 1908,
he published the "Pentecostal
Truths," a free paper distributed
all over China and other places.
For twenty years, he had been us-
ing all his spare time in preaching
the Christian Gospel in Hongkong
and elsewhere, quietly and un-
assumingly.

The Police Department will
feel a distinct loss in the passing
away of an expert in certain
branches of criminology. The
Chinese Tenants' Protective As-
sociation will lose in him an ex-
cellent and an enthusiastic sup-
porter. Thousands of his students
and converts will mourn the loss
of a teacher and leader, who
sacrificed all his time, money and
energy in proclaiming and ex-
plaining the truth of his con-
victions. He has passed away, but
his work and memory will last
forever in the hearts and minds
of all those who had been benefited
by his teaching and influenced by
his example.

SHROFF INTIMIDATED.

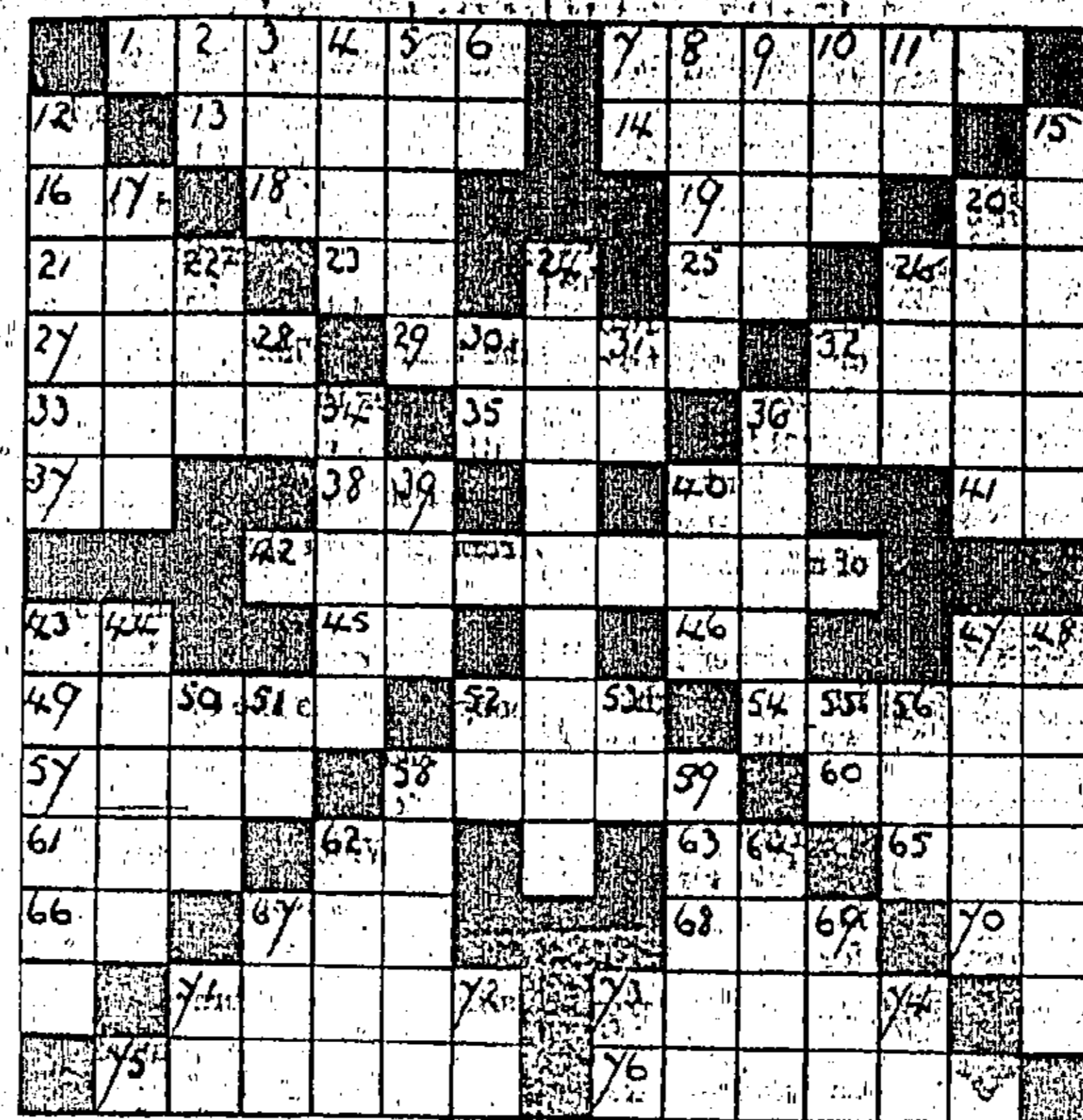
**KOWLOON HOSPITAL
EMPLOYEE THREATENED.**

At the Kowloon Magistracy
yesterday, a Chinese was charged
before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth with
demanding with menace the sum
of \$50 from a shroff of the Kow-
loon Hospital and also with in-
timidating the complainant to do
an act which he was not legally
bound to do.

It was alleged by the prosecu-
tion that the defendant went to
the complainant's office in the
Kowloon Hospital and requested
the sum of \$50 for bail for the
complainant's brother, who had
been arrested. The complainant
replied that he had no money and
after a second fruitless request
the defendant adopted a different
attitude. He threatened that if
the money was not forthcoming
the complainant would be killed.

The complainant informed the
Police and the defendant was ar-
rested.
The complainant's brother, re-
ferred to by the defendant, was
stated to have been sentenced to a
term of imprisonment for em-
bezzlement in the Government
Treasury.
The defendant was sentenced to
six months' hard labour.

OUR "CROSSWORD" PUZZLE.



Across
1 High conceptions
7 Flat-bottomed boats
13 Fruit
14 To deprive of water
16 Seen on some cheques
18 A weight
19 A liquor
20 Correlative of either
21 Wrath
23 A Greek letter
25 Prefix meaning not
26 To make a mistake
27 Not far
29 The daughter of one's sister
32 A slope
33 Denotes the fineness of gold
35 From
36 Shoe coverings
37 Printer's measure
38 Exclamation
40 Sign of scholarship
41 And (French)
42 Fallen motor
43 Master of Arts
45 In the matter of
46 Not later than
47 Same as No. 38
49 Consternation
52 A small flap
54 Acting in revolt
57 Cordage
58 Having gates
59 A measure
61 A digit of the foot
62 Credit (abbr.)
63 One
65 A Government Dept.
66 Whether
67 Exclamation expressing triumph
68 Negative
69 Direction of the wind
71 On one side
72 Fruit of the oak
75 To overcome
76 Disclaimed

Down
2 Clergyman's degree
3 To swallow
4 At the top
5 A Russian Statesman
6 Steam Ship (abbr.)
7 Bachelor of Divinity
8 Discuss
9 Water
10 A snare

11 Printer's measure
12 A sovereign's son
15 To check the action of
17 To imagine while asleep
20 To speak
22 The organ of hearing
24 To strain through
26 An age
28 Royal Academician
30 Supposing that
31 Company (abbr.)
32 Chief Scouts initials
34 A measure of heat
36 Part man and part goat
38 Swallowed
39 To slip
40 Species of swallows
44 Apart
47 Aids
49 Permits
50 A tailless monkey
51 Concerning
52 Thanks
53 To exist
56 For example
58 Large
59 A ball
62 A young child
64 Mid-day
67 Donkey
69 Prefix meaning three
71 Motorists' Association
72 Edward Rex
73 A Christian era
74 Point of compass

Yesterday's Puzzle.

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15. H. A. M. S. T. E. R. E. T. E. S. T. A. Y.

EMPIRE UNITY.
**CONSTITUTIONAL SYSTEMS
COMPARED.**

Rugby, Dec. 17.
The Colonial Secretary, Mr.
Amery, reviewing the work of the
Imperial Conference, said it had
removed certain internal political
difficulties in some Dominions, and
had strengthened inter-imperial
relations.

In accordance with past pro-
cedure, the Balfour Report on
those relations had not attempted
to lay down a constitution, but
generally to consider how it had
developed. The British system
was entirely different from the
federal system, and the Conference
revealed that in the Empire Coun-
cils the constitutional conception
was evolving, namely that of unity
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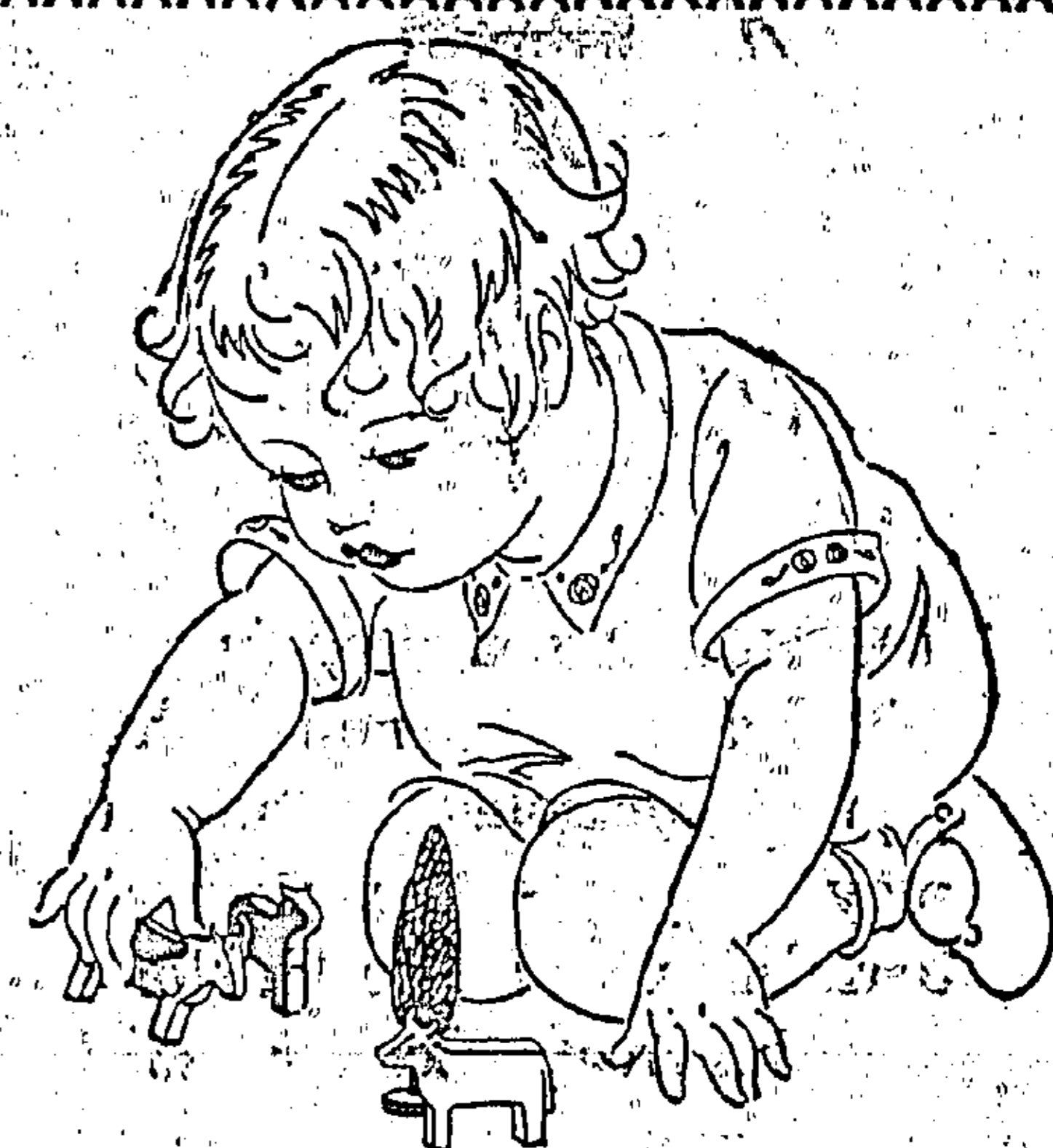
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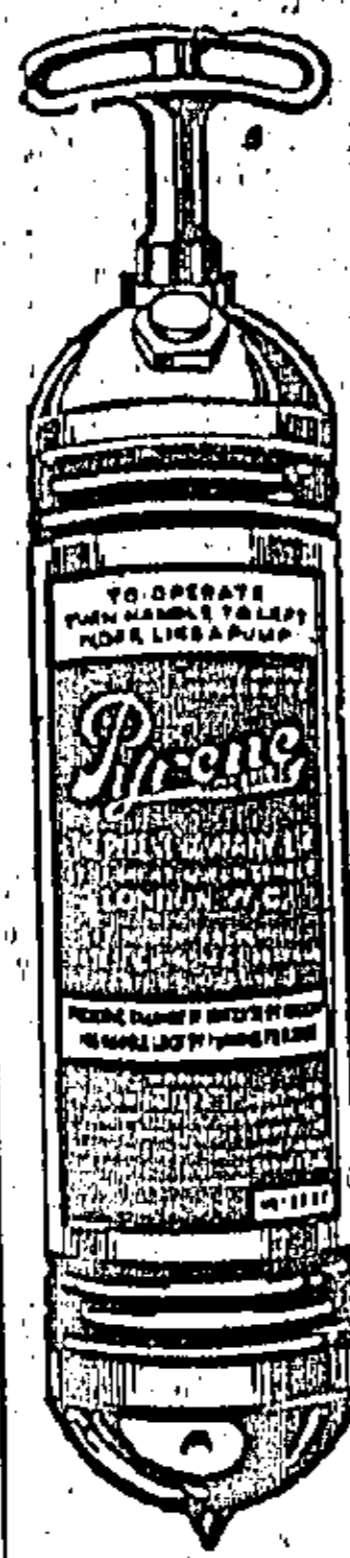
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papers of a list of new novels re-
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Raffles Library at Singapore set us
thinking of the advantages which
the Southern port has over us in
this regard. The list, which cov-
ers a brief period of a fortnight's
additions, contains over seventy
of the latest issued novels, includ-
ing three copies of each volume of
H. G. Wells' most recent work,
"The World of William Clissold,"
a book which has aroused great
interest in literary circles in most
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ately, we are very badly off in this
respect. It is true that the Hong-
kong Club possesses a really
splendid library, and that the He-
lena May Institute also caters to
the literary tastes of its members
in a library which, we hear, is now
developing into quite a good col-
lection of books. But these two
collections are confined to the use
of members, and all that the gen-
eral public has at its service is the
offerings of the City Hall Library.
Here we have a very mixed assort-
ment of books which could well
do with a checking up to see what
is worth keeping and what might
be consigned to the scrap-heap.
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logue available is contained in a
couple of volumes, in which the
entries are made in ink, and from
which it is only possible to trace
a book by looking under the initial

of the first word of the title. To
take, for example, Mr. Wells' new
work, if it happened to be in the
Library (which we believe is not
the case), one would have to
search for it under the letter "T"
merely because the first word of
the title is "The". If one desired
to discover the works of any given
author, he would find that there
is no list of authors, as distinct
from titles, in the Library.

As we understand the position,
the Library is in the hands of a
body known as the City Hall Trust-
tees, and presumably there is a
limit to the funds available for
books. Which prompts the oft-
repeated suggestion that, together
with the whole of the City Hall
buildings, the Library should be
acquired by the Government, thor-
oughly reorganised, with a well-
paid Librarian and staff engaged.
There is little enough of culture in
Hongkong, and as we know that
His Excellency the Governor is
keen on general education and on
the spread of knowledge, we once
again throw out the idea that the
whole question of providing the
Colony with a really good public
Library should be taken up by the
authorities.

Labour-Saving Devices.

There has been a good deal of
comment at Home lately about the
relative paucity to telephones con-
sidering the large size of the popu-
lation, and, although the Hong-
kong way might be tempt-
ed to say that he envied
anybody without a telephone,
this is taken by some people as
being typical of British ineffi-
ciency. A doleful chorus has been
sung lately with regard to what
some people call inefficiency, but
which is really nothing more than
a conservatism in matters mechan-
ical. Evidently, British passion
for patent potato peelers and
things of that sort is not what it
might be, neither can people be
persuaded to use the telephone
privately to the large extent it is
used in the United States. To
every 1,000 people in America
there are 145 telephones, but to
every 1,000 people in Great Britain
there are only 25—lower than lots
of other countries. But a Home
writer, rightly asks whether this
is a sign of inefficiency or lack
of receptivity or whatever it does
not mean that the private people
of Great Britain have not the same
peculiar necessity for the tele-
phone as have the people of the
U. S. Telephoning is really a so-
cial habit and is also connected
with the general standard of living.
In America, for example, the
cost of a telephone is a matter of
indifference compared with the
convenience it brings, but in con-
gested England there is not the
same relationship. There is, how-
ever, a fair amount of truth in the
assertion that the people of Britain
are over indifferent to household
inventions and labour-saving de-
vices, for, when compared with the
average American home the British
home is ill-equipped in many ways.
All manner of small inventions
and conveniences are to be found
in American homes and it is time
that British housewives became
more familiar with them. There
is a very good work being done in
this connection by the Household
Appliance Section of the London
Chamber of Commerce, and the
cheaper and better marketing
of household appliances is being
given serious attention. For
which British housewives will, no
doubt, be truly thankful.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Rugby, Dec. 17.
Paris	121 1/4
Brussels	121 3/8
Amsterdam	121 1/2
Berlin	20 3/8
Copenhagen	18 1/2
Vienna	34 3/4
Hamburg	19 1/2
Lisbon	21 1/2
Buenos Aires	46 1/2
Shanghai	2 1/4
Yokohama	2 1/4
New York	48 5/8
Geneva	25 1/8
Milan	108 1/2
Stockholm	18 1/2
Oslo	19 1/2
Prague	16 1/2
Madrid	31 1/2
Bombay	4 1/2
Calcutta	4 1/2
Hongkong	4 1/2
Silver (spot and forward)	24 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

A HELPING WORD TO ONE IN TROU-
BLE IS OFTEN LIKE A SWITCH ON A
RAILROAD TRACK—BUT ONE INCH BE-
TWEEN WRECK AND SMOOTH-ROLL-
ING PROSPERITY.—Beecher.

The U. S. S. Helena arrived in
port last evening. The usual
salutes were exchanged.

"Musical Jottings," by Allegro,
in which reference will be made to
the criticisms of "The Pirates of
Penzance," will appear on Monday,
instead of Thursday next.

A Chinese living at No. 23, Hill
Street was yesterday found lying
dead in his room. The circum-
stances pointed to the probability
of suicide through drinking a half-
pint of Lysol disinfectant.

It is notified for general informa-
tion that on and after Monday,
20th December, the Offices of the
Imports and Exports Department
will be in the Fire Station Build-
ing, Connaught Road side, ground
and second floors.

Tenders are being invited for the
reconstruction and repair of Al-
bany nullah, its tributaries and
other nullahs as far east as the
Military Hospital, together with
the construction of all necessary
retaining walls and other contig-
ent works.

His Excellency the Governor has
been pleased to appoint Subedar
(acting Subedar Major) Dhanna
Singh, 5/2nd Punjab Regiment, to
be one his Honorary Aides-de-
Camp, in succession to Subedar
Major and Hon. Captain Fazal
Khan, Sirdar Bahadur, with effect
14th December.

The Black and White Syncopated
Orchestra will again provide the
dance music at the Palace Hotel,
Kowloon, to-night. A novel fea-
ture is promised patrons to-morrow
night, when a talented orchestra
known as "The Night Hawks" will
play Hawaiian music from 7.30
p.m. onwards.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern
Ports published by the League of
Nations for the week ended Decem-
ber 11, shows the following cases
of infectious diseases: Plague,
Mauritius five, Surabaya four,
Cholera, Singapore three, Hai-
phong 13, Tourane nine, Saigon
one, Bangkok two, Calcutta 62 and
Negapatnam two. Small pox, Singa-
pore one, Bangkok four, Calcutta
56, Bombay five, Rangoon one and
Negapatnam one.

The Offices of the Supreme Court
are to be open daily from 10 a.m.
to 1 p.m. during the Christmas
Vacation, except on Public and
General Holidays, when the offices
will be entirely closed, and on Sat-
urdays, when they will be open
from 10 a.m. to noon, subject, how-
ever, to the provisions of section 5
of the Supreme Court (Vacations)
Ordinance, 1898, so far as it relates
to the Criminal Sessions. The
Christmas Vacation will commence
on the 24th instant and terminate
on January 1st, 1927, (both days
inclusive).

In connection with the blessing
of the new home of the Little
Sisters of the Poor at Ngau Chi
Wan, Kowloon City (for the aged
poor of the Colony) by Bishop
Valtoris, on Sunday next at 3 p.m.,
for the facilities of the benefac-
tors who wish to honour the Little
Sisters by their presence on the
occasion, Mr. Ngan Shing Kwan,
managing partner of the China
Motor Bus Co., (yellow cars) has
kindly agreed to run a bus ser-
vice from the Star Ferry to the
bridge at Ngau Chi Wan from 2.00
to 2.30 p.m., and from the bridge
to the Star Ferry from 5.00 to
5.30 p.m. The fare will be 30
cents each way. The bus will
also stop at the junction of Aus-
tin Avenue and Chatham Road for
Kowloon residents.

Old residents will be interested
to hear that Mr. W. B. Hindé, who
returned home for the war in 1914,
and who has since the death of Mr.
Blanch been in charge of the Far
Eastern Department of Thos. Cook
and Son, Ltd., in London, is now
taking a post on their General
Management. Cook's Far Eastern
Department was recently trans-
ferred from the Pall Mall Office to
their new Headquarters in Berke-
ley Street, Piccadilly, London. Mr.
H. V. McKoen, who has held posts
in all Cook's Far Eastern Offices
and is now Manager of their Shang-
hai Branch, will return to England
in January to take the post Mr.
Hindé is relinquishing. Most re-
sidents are no doubt aware that
Cook's Far Eastern Department
was formed for the sole purpose of
assisting Far Eastern residents
when on furlough and to advise the
uninitiated about to make their first
acquaintance with the East.

BRIGHTER HONGKONG.

These Three—Faith, Hope, Charity.

Nations, old and new, attain
certain characteristics for which
they become famous. "Pleasant"
and "unpleasant" these tabs and
tickets label us. On one side of
the British Isles lies France, and
on the other side lies America, and
the peoples of these two countries
are in complete agreement that the
British take their pleasures sadly.
If we ever possessed the priceless
gift of natural gaiety, and un-
affected enjoyment, we have lost
every trace of it to-day. Laughter
must be modulated! Wit must be
on the level of the slowest thinker
and most desperately refined.
Games should be circumspect, and
definitely organised on recognised
and time-worn rules! Love must
be pruned, and either furtive, or
the subject of ridicule, and so we
come to Christmas.

Mr. Stephen McKenna has writ-
ten a novel of Pan-let-loose on a
house-party with sorry conse-
quences to those indulging, and to
a large number of friends and
relations directly connected. If
that result is the nightmare of the
Hongkong moral caretakers their
experiences must have been pecu-
liar, and it is a sad fact that this
Colony is upheld as an example of
all that is boring in British life
by hosts and hostesses of four
other Colonies.

The world is a book, of which
he who stays at home reads but a
page. The word *Home* is ubiqui-
tous as used. It is the groove into
which we sink with a sigh of re-
lief, but it is a regretted fact that
Hongkong is akin to a prickly
hedgehog, and we are apt to sink
into our social and mental grooves
between the spines of that horny
animal whose middle name is
Public Criticism.

Why do so many people prefer
Shanghai? It is an ugly reclama-
tion ground covered with pseudo
prosperity! It has no natural
beauty of any kind, it has no sea-
bathing, it has no and then
I was told what it has to give to
the community: it has personal
and public freedom. It has done
away with self-consciousness.
"Let us be gay," says the host,
and, without more ado, without a
thought for to-morrow, the guests
array themselves in antimacassers
and play "touch-last" in the dark.
Well and good. Should any one
of the community meet next morn-
ing, they remark that it was a good
show, and forget it. Should such
abandon take place at a Peak Pos-
turing Party it would become a
fine days' wonder followed on the
tenth by, at least, three actions for
libel, the principal litigants being
a man, a woman, and the host.

At the Peak Club recently was
held a *bal masque*. By happy ac-
cident, or propaganda, a sufficient
number of folk attended in cos-
tume and mask which defied re-
cognition of the wearers. Secure
from the Hedgehog, Public Criti-
cism, they became a joyous band of
roisterers. The posters should
have run:—"Positively our first
and last appearance, and for one
night only." Laughter was spon-
taneous, and immoderate; wit,
stimulated by the reckless spirit
of "thou shalt not be found out,"
was swift and gay. One wondered
where all the pretty women came
from, for although the eyes were

hidden, so many laughing lips were
a delight and surprise, and, this
one night out of the school-
room, was planned in the name of
charity.

"A little more reckless con-
viviality" ran a heading in a con-
temporary's recent report of an-
other charitable effort, and that
is what we need. Quoting yet an-
other critique:—"There was a
something lacking to make the per-
formance really enjoyable." The
Pirates of Penzance has been de-
scribed as "A refreshing change
from real life." The *bal masque*
was a refreshing change from real
life, and why? Because at the
Peak Club the participants were
unafraid of the Hedgehog (for one
night only) and because in the play
either the producer, or the wonder
of those words, and the lift of
that music, dispersed and broke
down the barriers.

Having achieved this spasmo-
dic gaiety, why cannot we go a
little further and, by organising
our bazans and charitable efforts
on the theory that happiness, and
generosity go hand in hand, make
light work of what is, obviously,
heavy ploughing, and throwing
old custom and tradition to the
winds, follow the lead of the Latin
countries and have a Rout or Fair,
and have it on the Murray Parade
Ground. The first reason for a
change of locality is the indisput-
able fact that the Murray Parade
Ground does not entail climbing.

Despite the fact that we are told
of a "superfluity" of cafes, it must
not be forgotten that food is a
first essential to life, and, what-
ever the pretences, it is of primary
interest. That being so, the first
original note in the M.C.L. and
W.G. Bazaar should be struck on
the gong, and on the day adver-
tised:

Delicious curries.—(Kindly superin-
tended by the Colony's expert.)

First class "coolie show".—(Kindly
arranged by Chinese friends.)

Irish Stew.—(As typical of Eng-
land's best.)

Cold Roast Beef.—(By generosity
of the D.F.)

would be obtainable at the Murray
Parade Ground under the marquee
used at the Horticultural Show.
All these dishes can be warmed
and kept warm with ease, and, at
a dollar luncheon, bring big pro-
fit. Clearing service is easily ar-
ranged by the loan of boys, who,
being naturally gay, enjoy such
interlude in their mechanical duty.
The booths, attractively decorat-
ed, and laden with desirable and
necessary articles such as, good
French notepaper, and durable
white lingerie ribbon. A child-
ren's party, left entirely in the
hands of nurses, could be given
pride of place from 3.30 to 5 p.m.
A cocktail and beer bar could be
run by a series of court jesters.
In the past, a band has been pro-
curable, with this the Help-your-
self-buffet-supper would naturally
develop into dancing on the green.
What are the essentials to suc-
cess? Three only.

(The first, a genuine desire to
collect money in aid of charity.

That air of fearless gaiety
achieved miraculously by a mask.
One prismatic hedgehog, plumes
rampant, and roasted whole!

TISTHENES.

IMPORTANT FLIGHTS.

CAIRO-BAGHDAD-KARACHI
SERVICE.

Rugby, Dec. 17.
A De Havilland-Hercules ma-
chine to fly on the new Cairo-
Baghdad-Karachi air service will
leave the Croydon airport early
to-morrow.

Among the seven passengers,
will be Air Vice-Marshal, Sir
Sifton Branker (Director of
Civil Aviation) who, after visit-
ing India by air, will return to
Egypt in order to travel to East
Africa on the new experimental
air service between Khartoum and
Kisumu, in Kenya, which is to be
inaugurated next month.

A second Hercules machine will
leave London for India a few
days later and a third machine,
on which the Air Minister, Sir
Samuel Hoare and Lady Maud
Hoare are travelling, will leave on
December 27th.—British Wireless.

FLIGHTS TO SINGAPORE

FLEET OF FLYING BOATS.

London, Dec. 17.
With reference to the report
that a fleet of flying boats will fly
to Singapore and to Australia next
summer, it is stated by the Air
Ministry that the project is being

CIVIL AVIATION.

HOW IT HAS HELPED
BANKERS.

Rugby, Dec. 17.
Speaking in London, Sir Samuel
Instone, had some interesting
things to say in regard to civil
aviation.

He expressed the opinion that
the true benefit of civil
aviation would be felt on longer
routes rather than on shorter
journeys. He said that civil avi-
ation had brought about an extri-
ordinary state of affairs in regard
to banking. Last year £10,000,000
of bullion had been carried across
the Channel. Owing to the speed
with which it was transported the
saving in interest sufficed to pay
not only for the cost of transport
but for the insurance as well.
Sir Samuel Instone mentioned in-
cidentally that the Croydon
Aerodrome was the most perfect-
ly equipped in the world.—British
Wireless.

considered with the object of gain- ing further experience with the use of this type of aircraft.

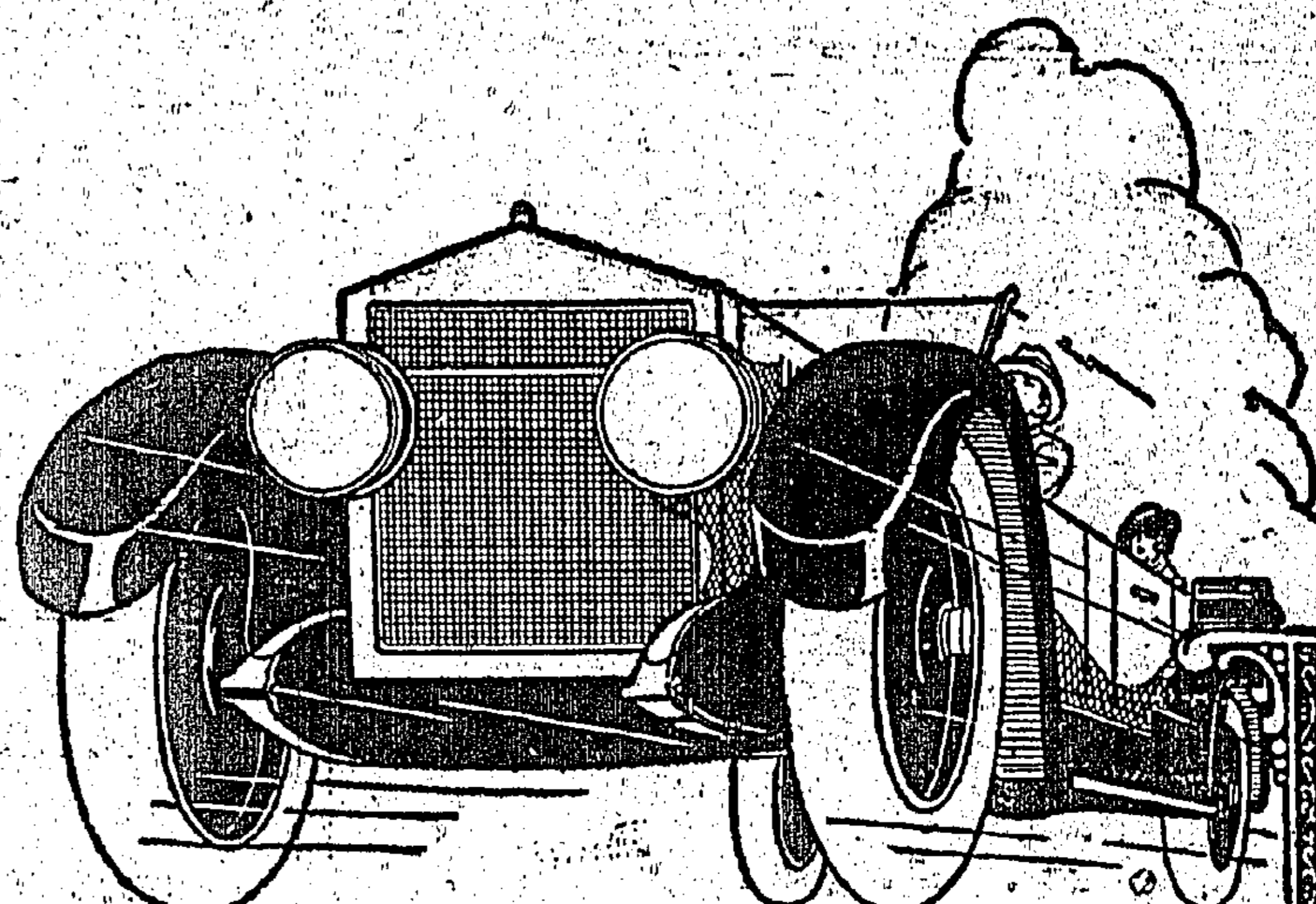
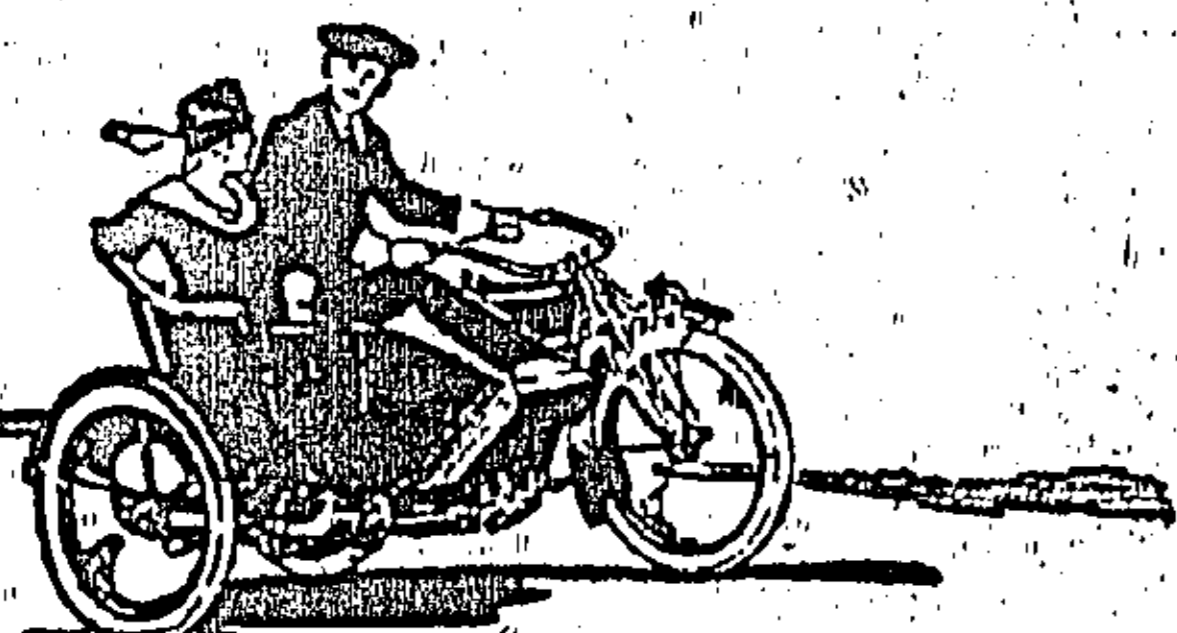
The flights will be purely of a
service character and nothing ab-
normal will be attempted. It is
not proposed to commence the
cruises before the early part of
1928.—Reuter.

MOTORING SUPPLEMENT

OF
THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

SATURDAY, 16th DECEMBER, 1926.

(Being the Official Organ of the Hongkong Automobile Association.)



CURRENT COMMENT



Touting.

A number of arrests have been made by the police of persons who tout for motor car fares, especially in the vicinity of the General Post Office. Fines ranging from \$10. to \$15. have been imposed, and it is hoped that the Police action in the matter will stamp out this annoying and objectionable practice.

Dangerous Places.

Shaukiwan Road at the junction of the tram terminus is undergoing repair, and careful driving is needed. At the bottom of the hill, the road is being relaid, and caution should be exercised when approaching that part. Morrison Street between Des Voeux Road, Central and Connaught Road near the Central Market is another danger-spot for any vehicle travelling from Connaught Road into Des Voeux Road. The tram-cars run from south to north in this street, and as the road is not very wide, it is distinctly dangerous for vehicles coming from the opposite direction to pass. Although only a short street, it would perhaps be safer if traffic used in one way only, i.e. south to north. Further east, the tram-cars run from Connaught Road to Des Voeux Road, and this could be regulated in a like manner, that is, one way traffic from north to south.

Safety First.

From the "safety first" point of view, one-way traffic is at times desirable, and it could be insisted upon in the above mentioned streets without any inconvenience to the public. The motor traffic is not heavy in these places, but we have heard of one or two collisions which would have been prevented had the system suggested herein been in force.

Stubb Roads.

This important thoroughfare is still under repair just above the Hongkong Hotel Garage, and only a small space on the west side is open to traffic. A very large number of motor vehicles use this road, and it is to be hoped that it will not be long now, before it is again free of obstruction.

A Novel Point.

During the week, a coolie was charged at the Police Court with pushing a barrow along the roadway by night, without exhibiting a light. Judging from the Magistrate's remarks when discharging

ing the defendant, no law exists to cover this point in Hongkong. Quite an interesting point is raised, because should an accident occur at the present time on account of a motor vehicle colliding with a wheel-barrow, no blame would rest with the latter vehicle. Many people will claim that the headlights of a car are sufficient to show up any such obstruction, but this is not always the case as many motorists within the city limits drive with dimmed headlights in order to save the trouble of switching on and off. Motor cyclists have also to be taken into consideration, the lights on their machines not being as powerful as car lamps. The matter is one which deserves serious thought, because there can be no doubt whatever, that such unlighted vehicles constitute a danger.

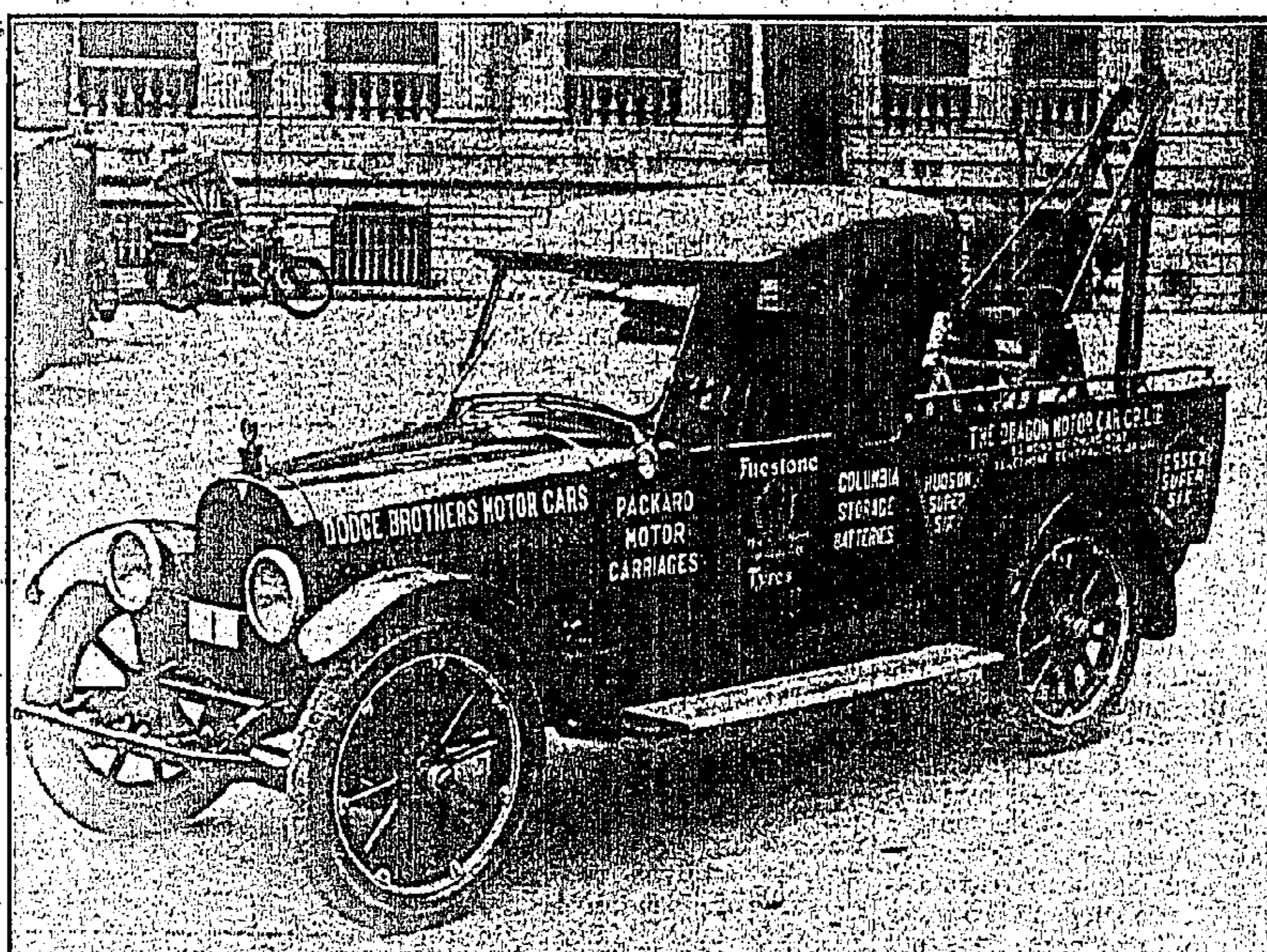
Dangerous Driving.

Quite a number of cars can be seen on Stubbs Road almost at any hour, travelling at an excessive and dangerous speed. There are also a few drivers who persist on overtaking other vehicles on a bend. This thoroughfare is quite safe if reasonable care is exercised, but those drivers who continue to take risks are not only a source of danger to their passengers, but a distinct danger to other road-users. That it is very tiresome having to follow a lorry, for example, round many twists and bends, is admitted, but there is no excuse for the driver who allows his desire to get ahead to cause danger to other people. Another cause for complaint is the speed at which some drivers return to Hongkong after having driven their passengers to the Peak. Many of these empty cars travel down the hill at breakneck speed, and we should like to see an example made of a few of them.

Buick Service.

Owners of Buick cars will be interested to know that the Hongkong & Kowloon Taxi Cab Company, Ltd., has arranged for the Dragon Motor Company, Ltd. to act as a Sales and Service Station for Buick cars. The modern equipment installed at the Dragon Company's premises at Happy Valley will ensure that owners cars will be capably and quickly attended to. Furthermore, a stock of spare parts will be carried so that the new arrangement provides a guarantee of additional service in case of emergency.

THE DRAGON MOTOR CAR COMPANY'S LATEST SERVICE CAR.



The above vehicle is the Dragon Company's latest addition to their emergency and repair service. The chassis is by the famous firm of Graham Brothers, whose commercial vehicles have proved their worth in the Colony. The crane which is seen at the back of the car is easily removable, thus allowing the vehicle to be used for ordinary work as a commercial truck.

TRANSPORT CONGRESS.

To Be Held In New York.

Public relations aspects of the automotive industry will be the topic for discussion at one session of the Third World Motor Transport Congress, Hotel Roosevelt, New York City, January 10-11, 1927, coincident with the National Automobile Show.

Suggested solutions for traffic problems, which become increasingly difficult everywhere, will be offered in an address by one of the foremost traffic experts available. Special motion picture films have been prepared to illustrate various points covered.

Trends in Automotive Legislation will be covered in another address, illustrated with films, by an executive well versed in this phase of motor transport development.

Co-operative activities undertaken to advance the industry will be another phase discussed which should prove to be of great interest to delegates.

Experiences and opinions regarding international developments in public relations may be exchanged by delegates in general discussions which will be invited at this as well as all other sessions of the Congress.

Other activities planned include sessions devoted to uses of motor vehicles in public administration, agriculture, commerce and industry, and in conjunction with other forms of transportation, highways, selling and servicing, financing, visit to National Automobile Show, and attendance at Annual Banquet of National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. Use of special motion pictures illustrating the various topics and simultaneous translation of all addresses into English, French, Spanish and German will greatly facilitate visualisation by delegates of problems and methods discussed.

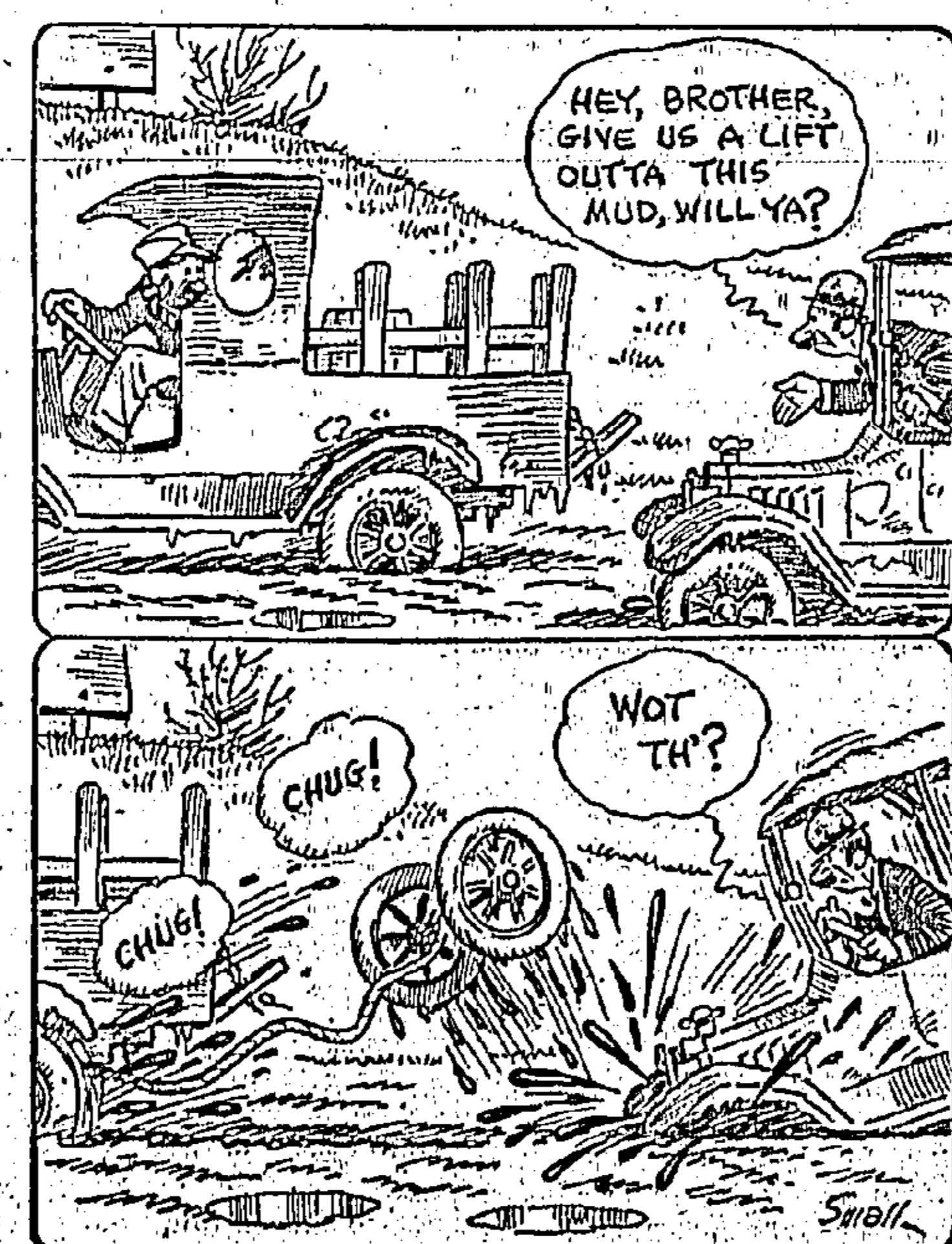
MOTORING IN GERMANY.

Still The Privilege Of The Rich.

Motoring in Germany is still the privilege of the rich. That Germans will not buy automobiles, in spite of tempting offers on the instalment plan, is one of the principal lessons of the international motor exhibition held recently in Berlin. Prices are still far too high. Germany has systematised car-building to such an extent that whereas there were 52 firms making cars last year there are only 30 firms to-day. But this has not resulted in the popularisation of any cheap form of car.

German manufacturers are said to earn enormous profits on every car sold, but they refuse to turn their attention to the middleclass car. Enormous duties on foreign makes—as much as 55 per cent. in the case of a small Ford—still leaves the imported car cheaper than the German make. This is in spite of the fact that Ford's wages are from six to eight times higher than those paid in Germany. Those taxes were originally put on to enable German manufacturers, after the war to compete with the imported car, but the chief effect seems to have been an immense amount of attention paid to engine perfection and luxury of body in their highest types. A big South German firm turning out 300 cars a day can only sell them at the rate of 50 a day.

Socialists are clamouring for Ford's free of duty, so as to make German manufacturers see that the poorer members of the community would as willingly own a car as in other countries, if only the initial expense were not so high. There is certainly a fortune awaiting the man who can build garages cheaply in a country where tenement houses are the rule and no kind of room or possibility exists for keeping and cleaning the car for nothing on the premises. This is probably one of the chief troubles in really popularising motoring. To see a woman at the wheel on German roads is still a rare enough sight for people to stand still and watch her.



MOTORISTS VISIT CANADA.

Tourists are motoring to New Brunswick, Canada, in increasing numbers. At the end of September there was a record of 16,170 autos having entered the province from the United States. The number represents an increase of 3,112 over the same period last year.

EUROPE FAVOURS AUTOS.

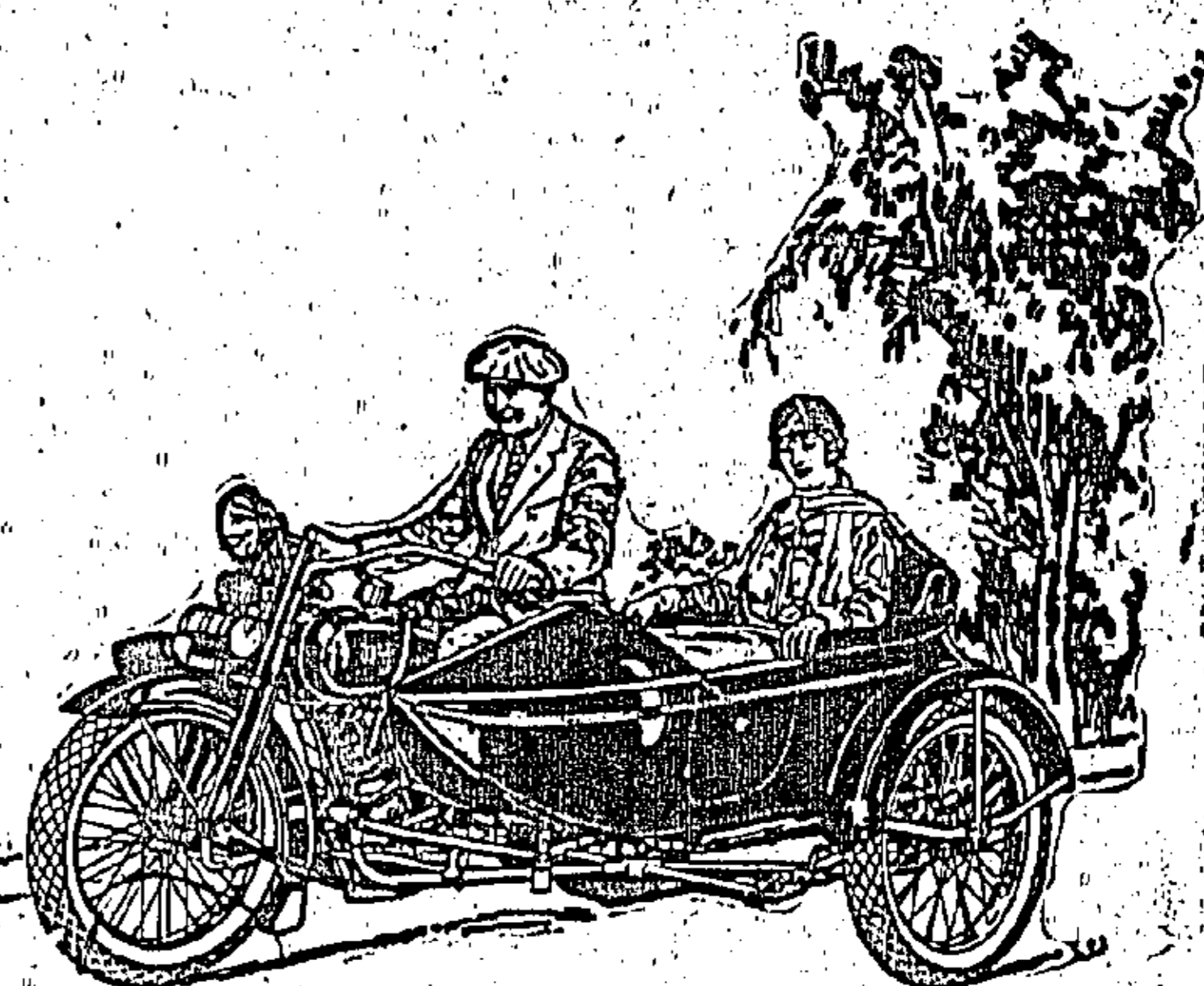
There is a growing motor use in Europe. Bad roads are the chief cause in retarding automobile sales. However, most European countries are adopting extensive highway development policies which are expected to bring an enormous increase in motor transportation.

LARGER REGISTRA- TIONS.

Car registrations in St. Louis for the first nine months of 1926 have shown a tremendous increase over the same period last year. Vehicle registration for the first eight months exceeded the total for the entire 1925 period in every classification except motorcycles.

AUTOS INVADE EUROPE.

George F. Bauer, secretary of the foreign trade committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, says motor transportation is becoming a utility in Europe instead of being considered a luxury.



Our second shipment of 1927 Harley-Davidson cycles and a large assortment of genuine spare parts are due here Christmas week.

Special Offer for Christmas and New Year Week. This shipment was ordered when exchange was high, but we will continue to sell them at our usual prices only till the 7th January 1927.

Big twin Solo	\$ 825.00
Big twin Combination	\$1085.00
Single cylinder (side by side valve)	\$ 575.00
Single cylinder (overhead valve)	\$ 600.00

These cycles are fully equipped and ready for the road. Compare our prices and get one before New Year and start right.

THE GASCON MOTOR CO.,

2, Kwong Wah Road (Opposite The Steam Laundry)
Telephone K.1242.



Mobiloil

Make the chart your guide

WE ARE ALL THIS WAY.

Everyone is lazy about some things—from the most humble rickshaw coolie up to the high-pressure business executive.

In the life of every human being there is something he likes to put off doing—something he would shirk or postpone unless duty shouted at him "But you must do it."

We are all that way and success can probably be figured in direct ratio to the number of things we do—and do well—that we really don't want to do.

The big important things must be done, of course if we are to get anywhere. But it is small important things that we so often neglect.

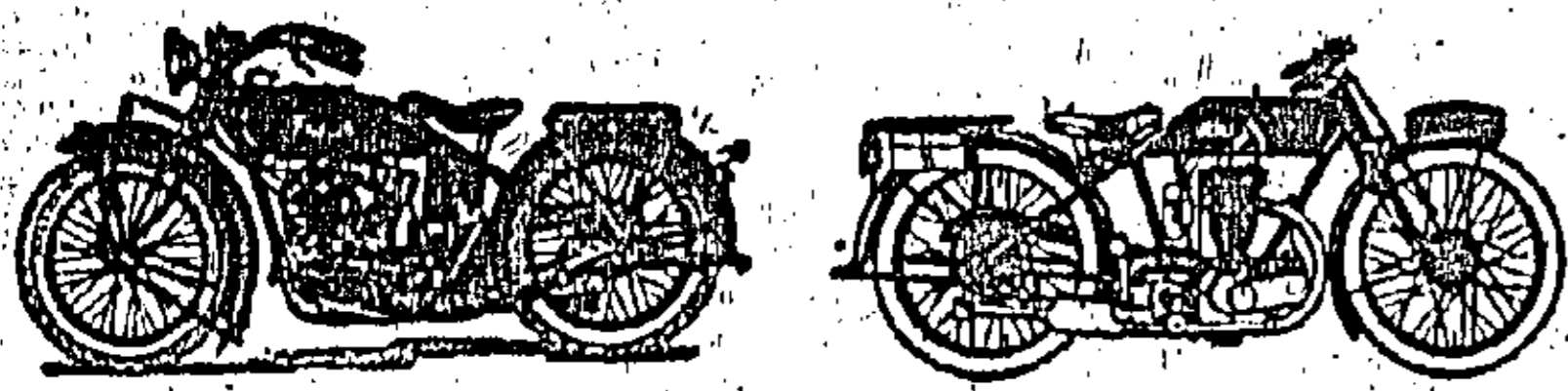
Take the lubrication of your motorcar engine for example—this most important matter is grossly neglected by the majority of us.

Realizing the truth of this, we set out to deliberately make a lubricant that would fit each make of motorcar engine and furnish maximum lubrication. In short, a lubricant for lazy people—and in the care of the motorcar engine, at least, the word lazy applies to practically all of us.

The Correct Grade of Gargoyle Mobiloil is very easy to obtain and exceedingly easy to apply. It works wonders. With just a minimum quantity the motorcar engine performs as its maker intended it should.

Changing over to the Correct Grade of Gargoyle Mobiloil takes but a few minutes. Drain the crankcase while the engine is hot and the old oil is thin. Refill it with the Correct Grade of Gargoyle Mobiloil and see for yourself whether all we claim for this remarkable lubricant is justified.

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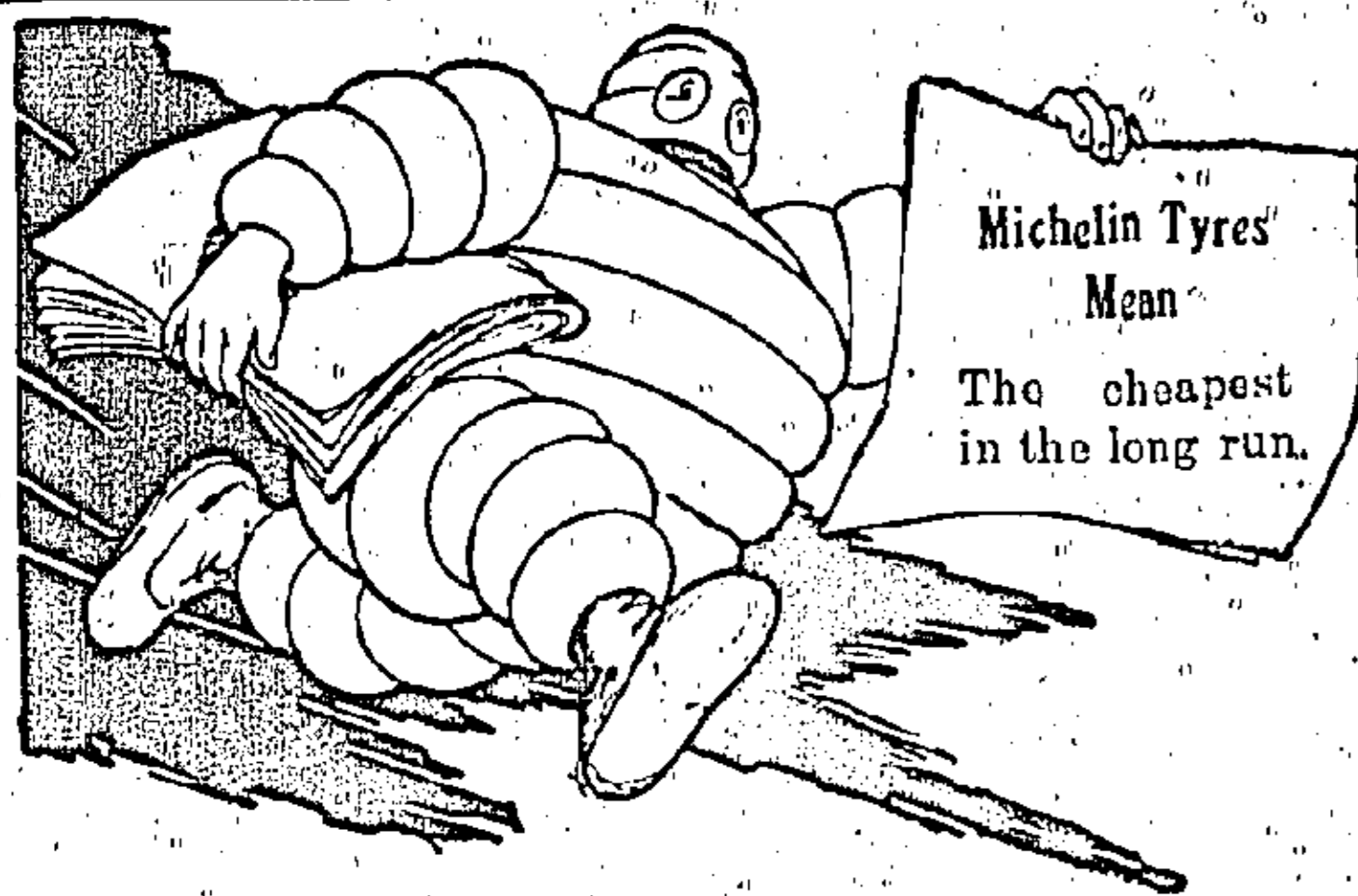
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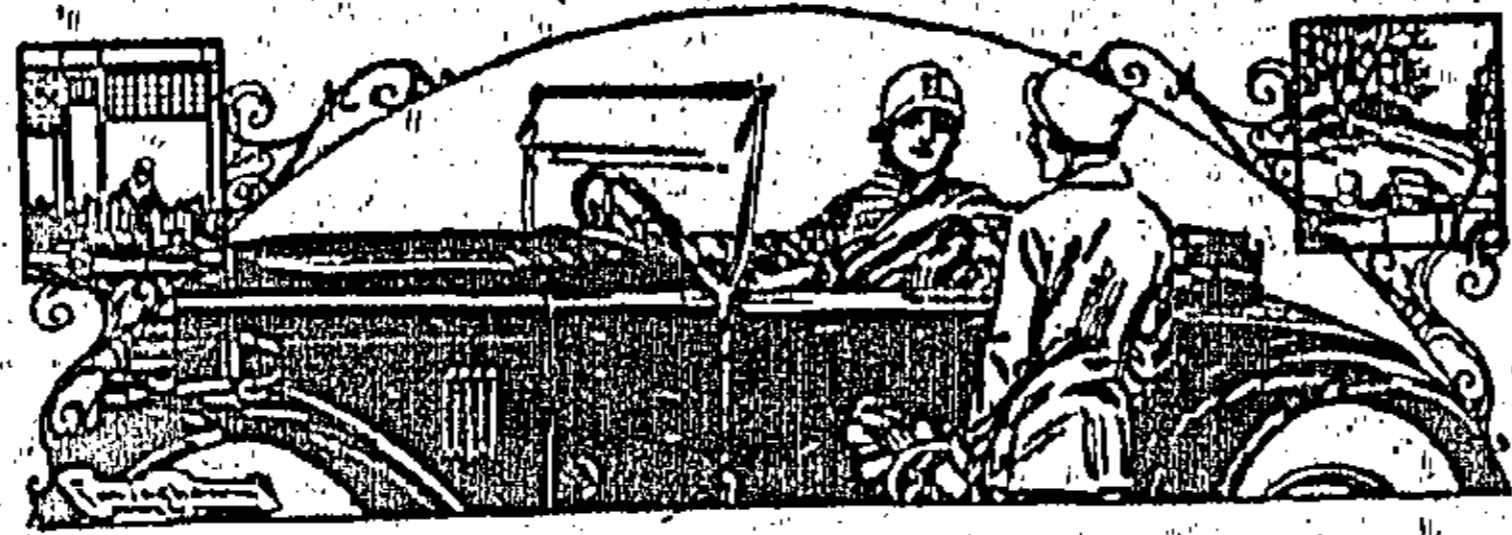
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THE ROMANCE OF THE CAR.

Taxation And Other Things.

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There is something in the atmosphere of autumn that gives rise to cogitation. A certain feeling there is in the air, in the falling brown leaves as they swirl and scurry in the cold edged wind, that makes us pause mentally and sighing, remember that there has flown another year.

For who counts but summer as the part of the year that matters?

SOBER REFLECTIONS.

Such was my mood the other evening, sitting in my old trusted car, waiting at a cross-road for a friend. The warm day's sun was sinking behind the pines; everywhere was the sound of evening, of the approaching finish of things. Maybe it was only of the day; but maybe my mood turned that fact into thoughts that seemed to bear on the ending of the year. Yet, thinking so, and wondering what good or else bad had been done in the past twelve months, and what more there remained to be done in the future, the occasional pass of a car or motor-cycle directed my musings into a channel of realization of how much, year by year, recently, the motor has changed our daily lives.

The change has been so gradual and still yet so sudden. To those of us who have cars it is not realized at all. Only to the envious few who do not (in these days of generous hire-purchase terms, it would seem foolish almost to write "cannot") own a car it seems to be so quick and startlingly sudden. For possession of any transport—individual transport that is not tied down to arbitrary timetables, to queues and crushes and to hatchet-faced men behind the arch-shaped glass of a ticket office—brings such changes in the lives of us all. Somehow it seems to add to Romance; to put the whole world at our feet. As some modern poet might well write, "The hand that starts the motor rules the world."

THE ART OF DECEPTION.

Take courtship—for instance. Who in these enlightened days would dream of the man and the maid of each other's mutual choice sitting over a dish of tea in the "best room" and exchanging polite simperings about the weather and whatnot under the beaming eye of some fond parent. But they had to do so not so many years ago. The thought of a pair meeting unchaperoned after the sun had fallen would have then seemed "too perfectly outrageous for words, my dear." And so they kicked over the traces, did those young couples and, having once learned the art of deception, took to it naturally enough in regard to each other when the rifts that develop in all domestic bliss came along in after-married life. Whereat there was trouble, unhappiness, and a busy time in the divorce court.

Of course, emancipation of a sort came, with good King Edward. There were free meetings at tennis and golf. But even then, they were uncomfortable and tiring. I mean, the thought of pushing the pedals of a bicycle after a really hard set does not add to the zest of the game, and even if one's swain be the most patient fellow in the world, it is difficult to be passionate while pedalling perspiringly.

The car has changed it all. Nowadays, the course of true young love runs smoothly on balloon tyres to the merry zip of a willing exhaust note. The car is a mobile bower for fair Rosamond, and she benefits accordingly thereby. How many

amodern romance, I wonder, has been speeded on its liting way purely because of motoring? Nothing that I know of brings more quickly that peace of mind, that effect of pleasant detachment from the mundane things of the world, than a good car, well driven, over good roads in fair weather. The combination, too, is not hard to find.

And then, of course, motoring is such a test for the sterner traits that mean so much in double harness. The girl can see the forceful but gentlemanly way in which her man handles hotel keepers, policemen and other difficult objects. He sees whether she is too keen on her personal beauty, watching whether her powder-puff is too constantly in use (it becomes so boring to a man after a while), and whether she is appreciative of his masterly driving or if she persists in looking at her reflection in shop windows to see how her pose matches up with the general appearance of the turn out.

Not so long ago I was motoring with a dear old paterfamilias to whom the whole of human nature was as an open book. At any rate, he had lived long enough to see three of his daughters married off very successfully. On the moors, miles from nowhere, was a car with a punctured tyre, a perspiring motorist and a peevish-looking female sitting carefully in the car so that, as her companion wielded the working parts of a rather tricky jack, he had to lift her weight as well as that of the car.

We pulled up and proffered assistance, which was gladly accepted by the man. The lady (I suppose she was, anyway) still continued her air of bored displeasure and every time her companion had to disturb her to get this tool or that she sharply made some blithering remark about "not wiping that greasy thing over my new shoes." Or something really encouraging of that nature. When we left, my wise old friend said to me, "Well, if that fellow's married to that he's a man to be pitied. If they're only engaged, he's one day soon going to be." What a test, don't you think, of mutual understanding is motoring trouble even?

What a fuss, by the way, they seem to be making nowadays about this question of taxation. The A.A. and the motor papers on one side argue that the only really equitable and fair way of taxing us poor motorists is to have the tax put back on petrol. The price of fuel would go up, but we should not have to pay one pound per horse-power at the beginning of the year or whenever, we do pay it. The idea, of course, is that now we pay a lump sum, and it is paid whether we use the car one day or every day, in the year.

Personally, I don't see what very great difference it makes whether we are taxed one way or another. The fact remains that is the aggregate we have to pay, in a body, the same total sum into the Treasury for the upkeep of roads, and the horse-power method seems just about as fair to me as any other. High fuel price is always a bar to pleasure motoring, whereas once the present Inland Revenue Tax is paid it is paid, and that's all there is to it. But I hate big garage bills every month, and it would hurt my loose cash badly to have to pay say 2/6 per gallon for petrol for week-end jaunts and what-not.

MORE TRUCK LINES.

Permits are expected to be granted by the Minnesota State Railroad and Warehouse Commission to 74 trucks companies to operate more than 6000 miles of truck lines in the state.

FEAR FIRE HAZARD.

Austin (Tex.) lawmakers are planning to prohibit the use of rooms for living quarters over garages, filling stations and business places where large amounts of gasoline are stored.

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More than half the cars sold in the United States cost the buyer less than 30 cents a pound. A comparison with other commodities purchased by the American public shows this pound cost to be unusually low.

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Intoxication leads all other causes in the revocation of motor drivers' licenses in Michigan, Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania.

Tokyo.—Assembling of Japan's big new dirigible airship purchased in Italy will be started in January at Kasumigaura naval air field under supervision of Captain Nobilo Will, Italian dirigible expert, and Lieutenant Commander Hirata of the Imperial Japanese Navy. The first trial flight is expected to take place in March.

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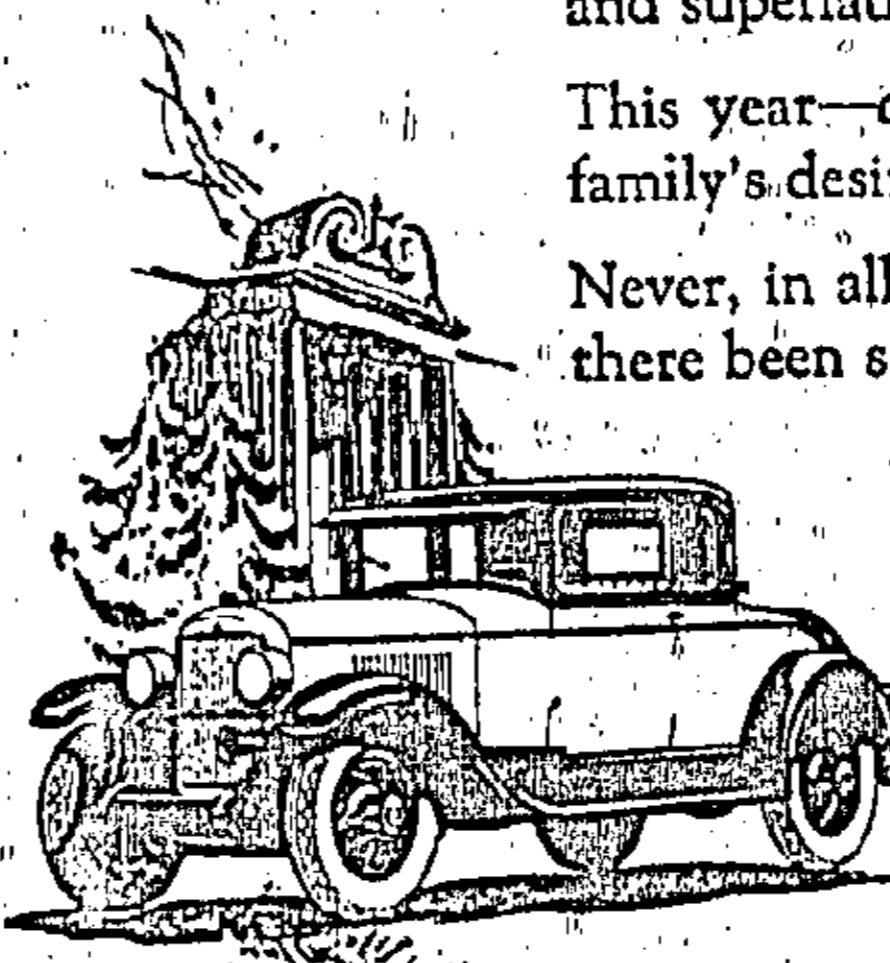
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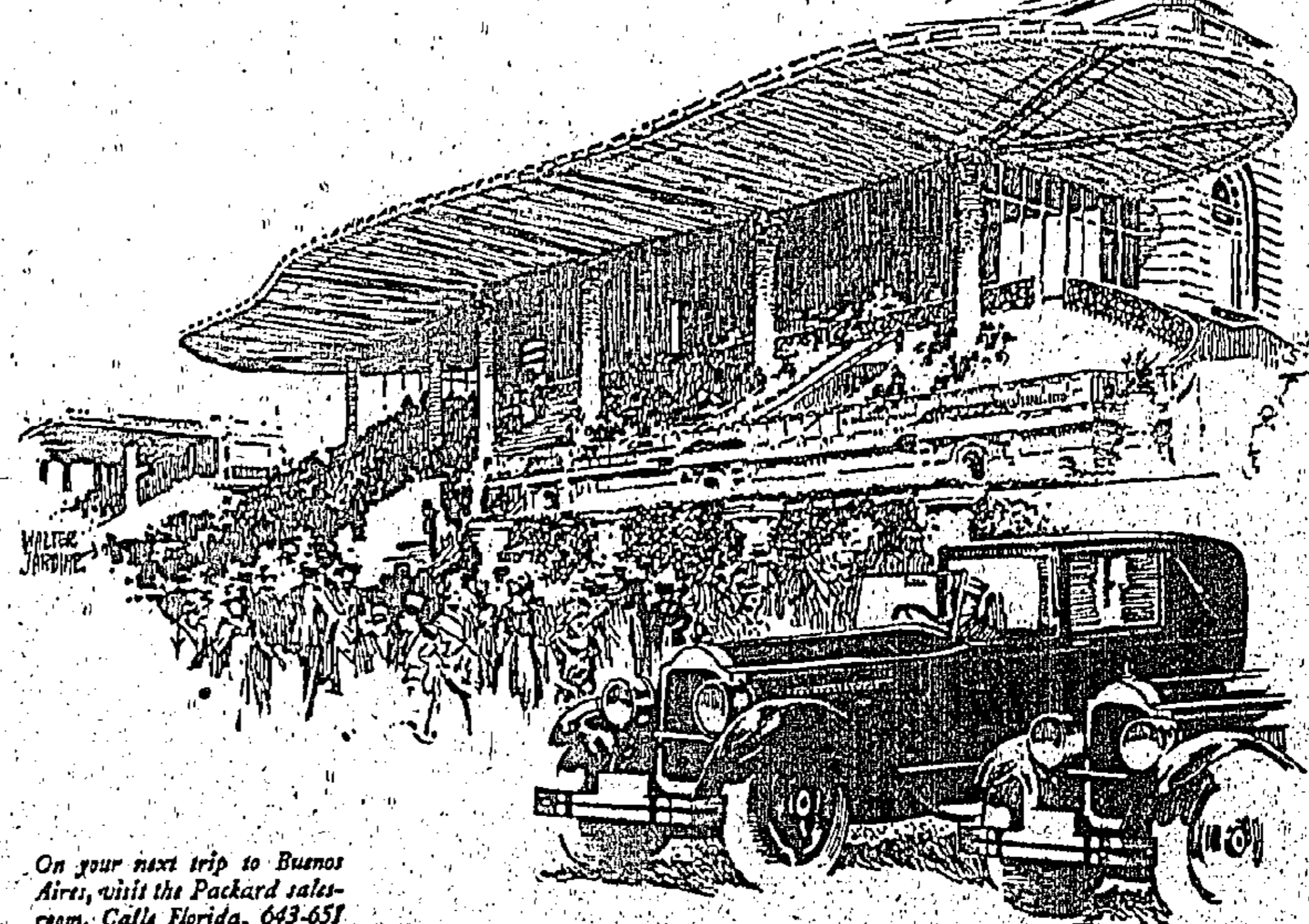
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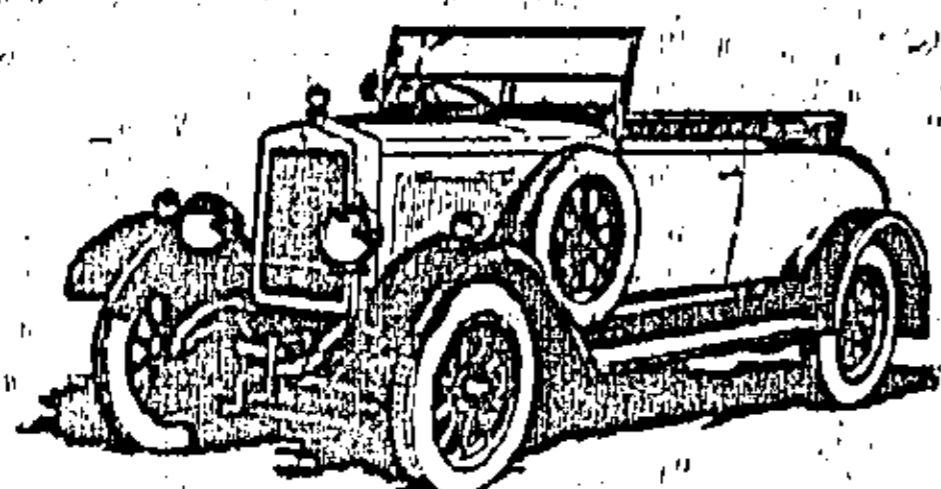
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BRITISH OVERSEAS TRADE.

Figures are not always so dry as they may seem, judging from the latest statistics issued in the Board of Trade Returns of September. There was an excess of car imports over car exports in 1925 to the tune of £1,825,335, while for the corresponding period in 1926 the exports gained over the imports by a £2,032,399 majority.

Why?

America appears to have a mania for being "different" from other peoples, and will go to any extreme in order to achieve this object. Their latest suggestion is that tail-lamps shall be green instead of red. Searching for a reason, one wonders if a flavour of Prohibition does not intrude itself into this move; but surely "gazing on the tail-lamp when it is red" cannot be worse than eyeing the chartreuse when it is green!

Cutting their own Throats.

It is a short-sighted policy on the part of garage owners in London to oppose so strenuously the efforts that are being made to provide better parking facilities in the Metropolis. Had it not been the case that the convenient garages are invariably over-crowded, the necessity for parking space would not have arisen, and this action cannot but alienate the patronage of motorists from their interests. If, on the other hand, this demand has been created by the motorists' natural antagonism to exorbitant garage charges, then the remedy lies in the hands of the garage proprietors themselves.

A Cure for Skids.

Now that the rainy season is setting in, it is not a bad plan to change the front and back wheels, so that the tyres with the most tread on them are at the rear. Although four-wheel brakes have done much to reduce the possibility of skidding, and although a front wheel skid is far more dangerous than a back wheel skid, it still remains a fact that rear wheel skids are the more likely to occur in normal driving.

Instinctively I turn to a man if I am in a mess, and so far, I have not been far wrong. But when the day comes that I am reduced to calling upon a fat man—I shall rely on myself.—Lady Kitty Vincent.

A Quaint Refresher.

An acquaintance of ours, who does some very long distance trips, tells us that one of the finest refreshers en-route is nothing more or less than a visit to the barber's for a hair-cut and shave. Sometimes, he says, he becomes afflicted with sleepiness after 200 miles or so, but finds that after this novel cure he feels still quite capable of carrying on for another century.

British Cars at Parliament.

The number of British cars which entered Palace Yard, Westminster, was noted when the House reassembled recently. In the space of half an hour nineteen British cars, with British tyres, passed the gates; five foreign cars, with foreign tyres, and three British cars with foreign tyres. M.P.s are evidently living up to the "Buy British" slogan.

Liverpool's New Landmark.

A new four-floor building, part and parcel of the huge new block which Lewis Ltd. are adding to their famous store in Liverpool, is to be the new home for Messrs. W. Watson & Co., the authorised Morris Dealers in Liverpool. The total area, including the basement, is no less than 50,000 square feet, and 150 cars can be accommodated in the basement garage. The architectural design of the new showrooms will be in schematic keeping with the rest of the street.

Brightening the Filling Station.

The latest innovation to brighten the lives of motorists is what is known as the Bowser Illuminated Oil Fountain. Built something on the lines of the petrol pump, the illuminated oil pump consists of a group of tanks which feed various grades of lubricant through a series of glass pipes, behind which a light is shown. The effect of the light through the various grades of oil is attractive and instructive, bringing prominently to the minds of motorists the difference in the various grades.

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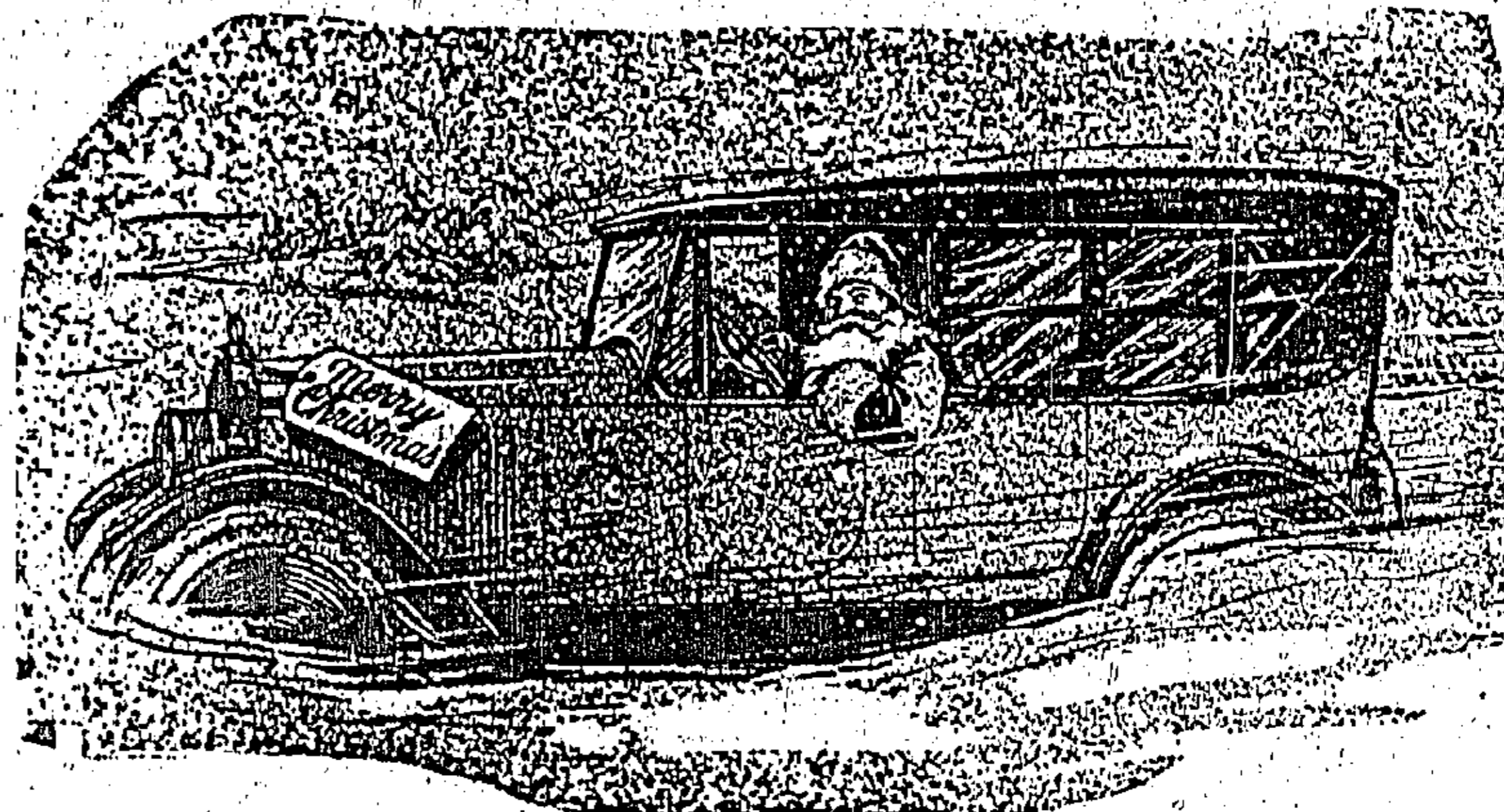
Such advance in numbers ahead of design and improvement would be deplorable in aviation. Permanent popularity of the airplane must depend on its careful engineering development. Factors of safety, reliability and achievement must be given painstaking attention to a considerably greater degree than was necessary in the case of the automobile.

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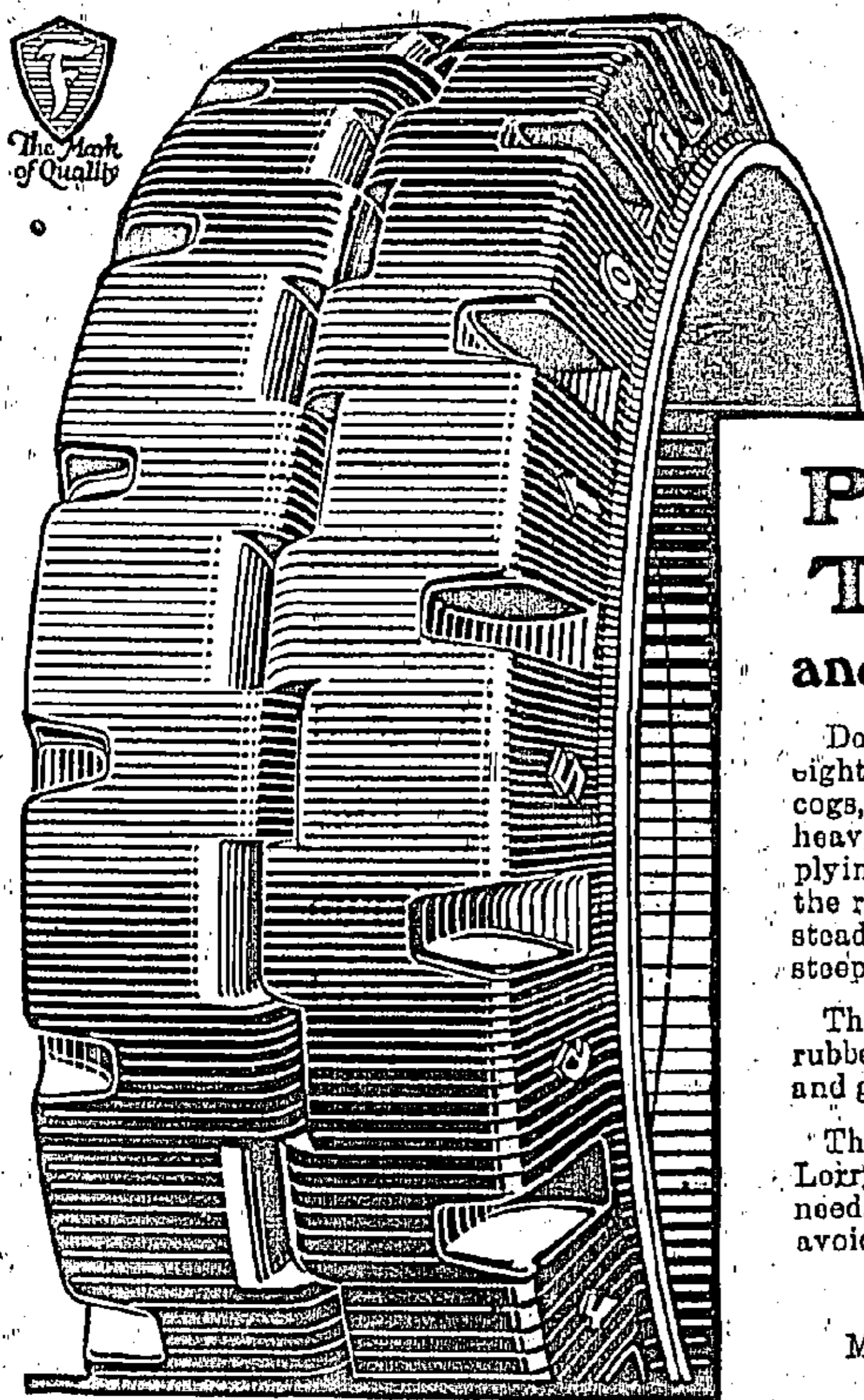
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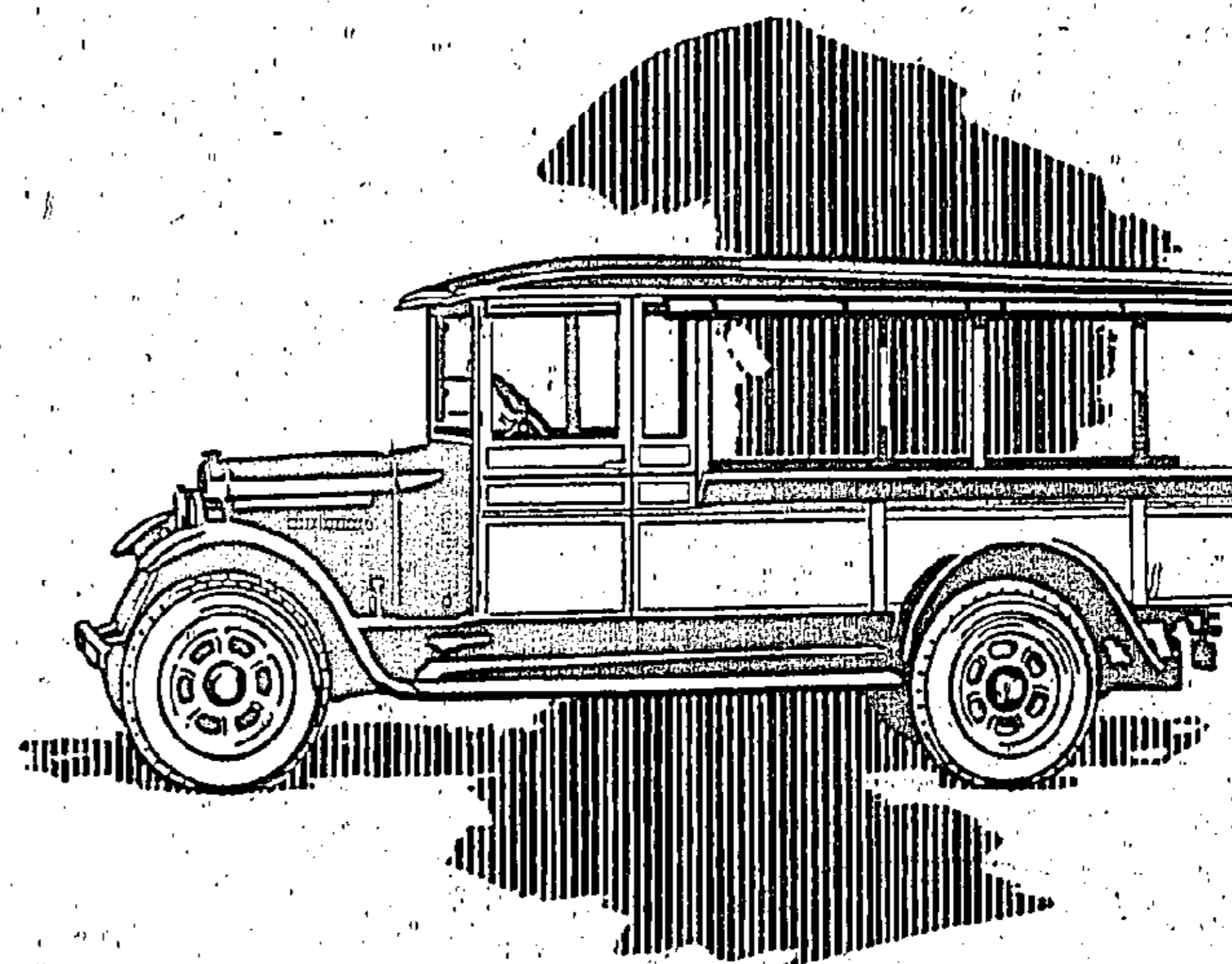
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Cars As Well As Elephants.

(By C. A. Potts in *The Motorist*.)

Most people have heard of rogue elephants, but I wonder how many people realise that there are also rogue cars. Most modern cars are highly civilised, sweet tempered and willing. They seem to delight in doing their best for their owners. They are obedient, always ready to oblige, and you can tell by the happy manner in which they purr as they skin over the road that they enjoy their work and take a pride in pleasing their masters. But now and then you still come across the rogue, and nobody can tell what makes it a rogue.

It is made of the same parts and receives the same factory treatment as its virtuous brethren. It looks the same as any other car, but, for some unknown reason, it is possessed of seven devils. It is insubordinate and vindictive. It is often actually dangerous, and invariably it ravages its unhappy owner's banking account and does its best utterly to destroy it.

Most rogues are sulky in the garage, and hard to start. If they condescend to fire at all they spit back viciously, and try to break your wrist. Their radiators spring inaccessible leaks and their contactbreaker rockers stick at the smallest provocation. On the road they are gluttons for petrol and oil, and love to strand you in isolated places with empty tanks.

Their gears are hard to change, and slip out of mesh on awkward hills. Their brakes let you down at critical moments, and their

clutches are either savagely fierce or will not grip at all. In traffic the rogue car believes in the element, for it knows full well that this is its great opportunity. If you have to stop, its engine peters out and will not start again, and it seems to take a savage delight in the humiliation of its owner each time an insult is hurled at him by an eloquent taxi-man.

But the rogue has by no means exhausted its repertoire when it stalls. When it does condescend to start, it leaps forward and charges into the back of the vehicle in front. At other times its engine revs fiercely, and refuses to slow down. Its speed is thirty miles or nothing, and progress through the traffic is exciting, to say the least of it.

This amiable propensity makes it practically impossible to engage your gears, and the resulting shrieks from the gearbox cover

you with confusion, even if no actual damage is done. On the open road the rogue car believes in the surprise attack, in which method of warfare it is an adept. It first lays itself out to inspire confidence by running along quite sweetly for a mile or two, then, without the slightest warning, it executes a super-skid which, unless you are exceedingly wary, precipitates you into the ditch.

Its horn is mute at cross-roads where the police are active, and it boils like a volcano on every little upgrade.

If you are foolhardy enough to take the rogue away from civilisation, it takes the opportunity of showing its real nature by knocking the bottom out of its crankcase, or breaking an axle-shaft.

Desperation.

On occasions like this, owners

have been known to give their cars away to the first loafer who happens to pass by, and these owners were wise, because it is no use tinkering with a rogue, which invariably has a warped and twisted nature and is quite incurable.

I think I am safe in saying that most old motorists have met the rogue car at some time or another, but, lest I scare the new owner unduly (a thing which I should be sorry to do), let me hasten to say that the breed is, fortunately, dying out, and that in all my experience I have never met, or heard of, a Morris rogue.

All the same, it is as well to be aware of the existence of such brutes, because you still may meet them on the road, and I have a theory that many of the unexplained accidents that occur are due to nothing more nor less than the humnish frightfulness of the rogue.

AUTO INDUSTRY GROWS.

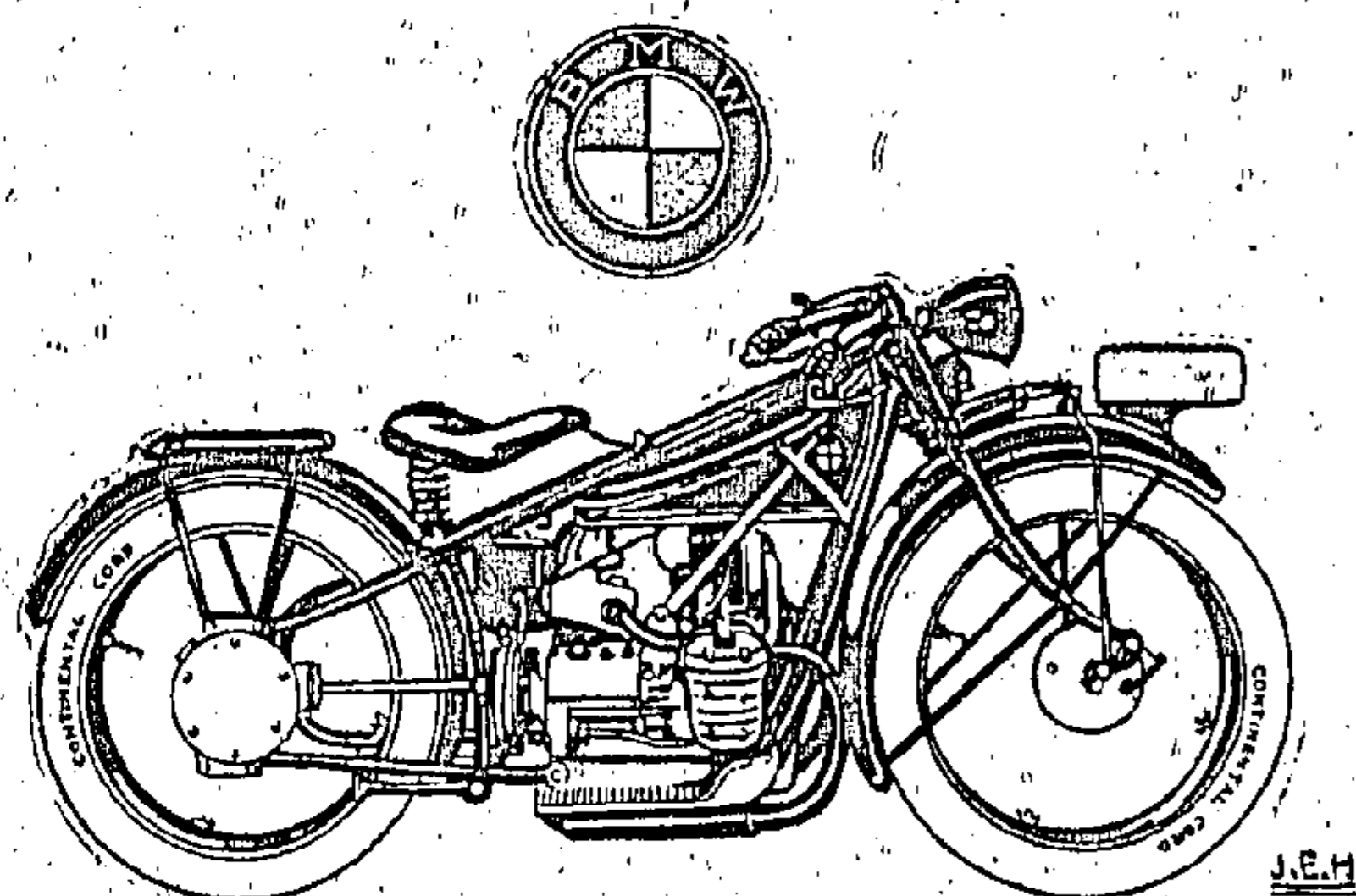
The automobile industry is having a rapid growth in Britain, according to a report by the English government's chief inspector of factories. Automobile work is developing in both manufacturing plants and garage repair shops.

Delhi, November 24:—The Maharaja of Patiala has been re-elected Chancellor of Chamber of Princes. The Standing Committee of the Chamber next year consists of the Maharaja of Patiala, the Maharaja of Bikanir, the Maharaja of Alwar, the Maharaja of Dholpur, the Maharaja of Kashmir, the Nawab of Bhopal, and the Chief of Sangli.

TYRE SALES

Shipments of all types of auto tyre casings show a total decline of 1,693,304 for the first eight months of 1926 when compared with the same period for last year. Balloon casings were the only class of tyres to show an increase over the 1915 period.

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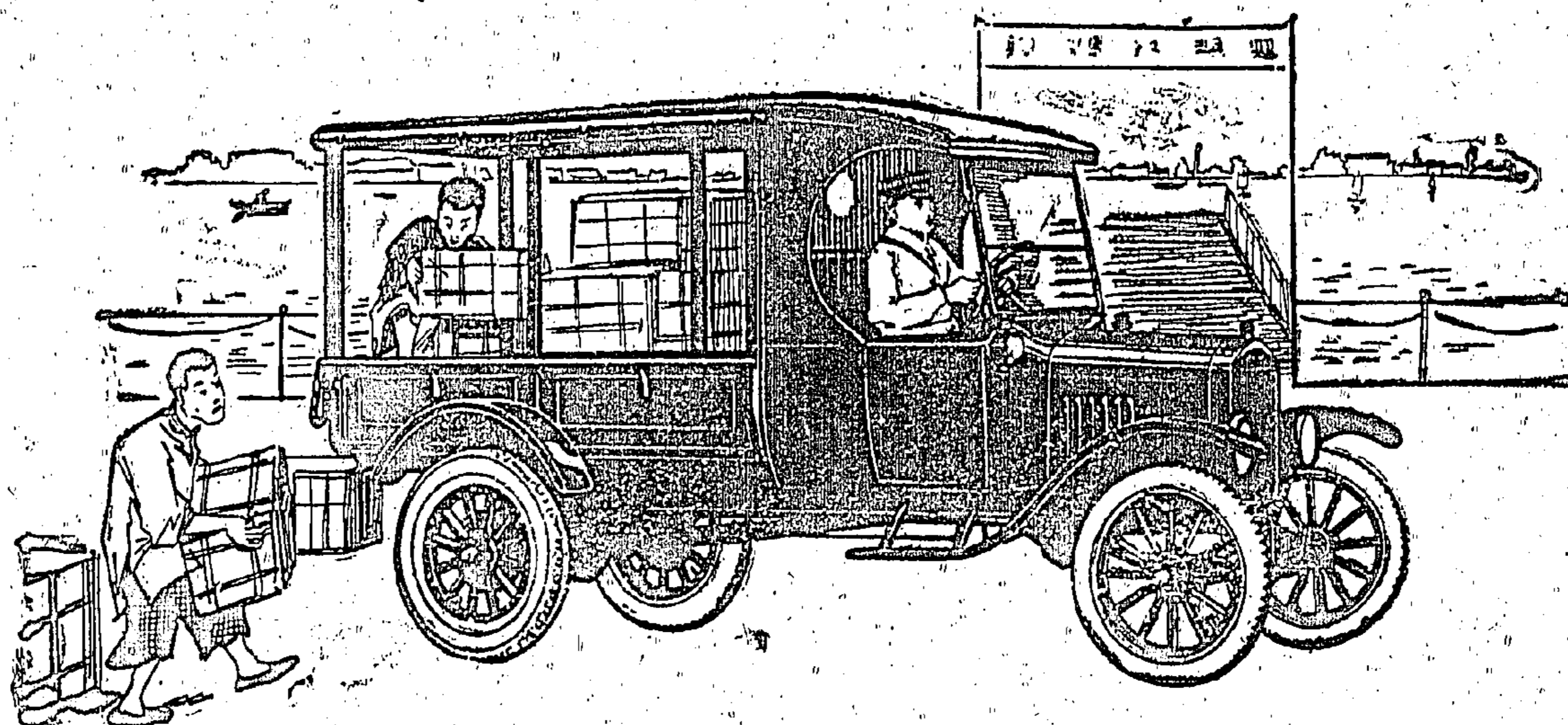
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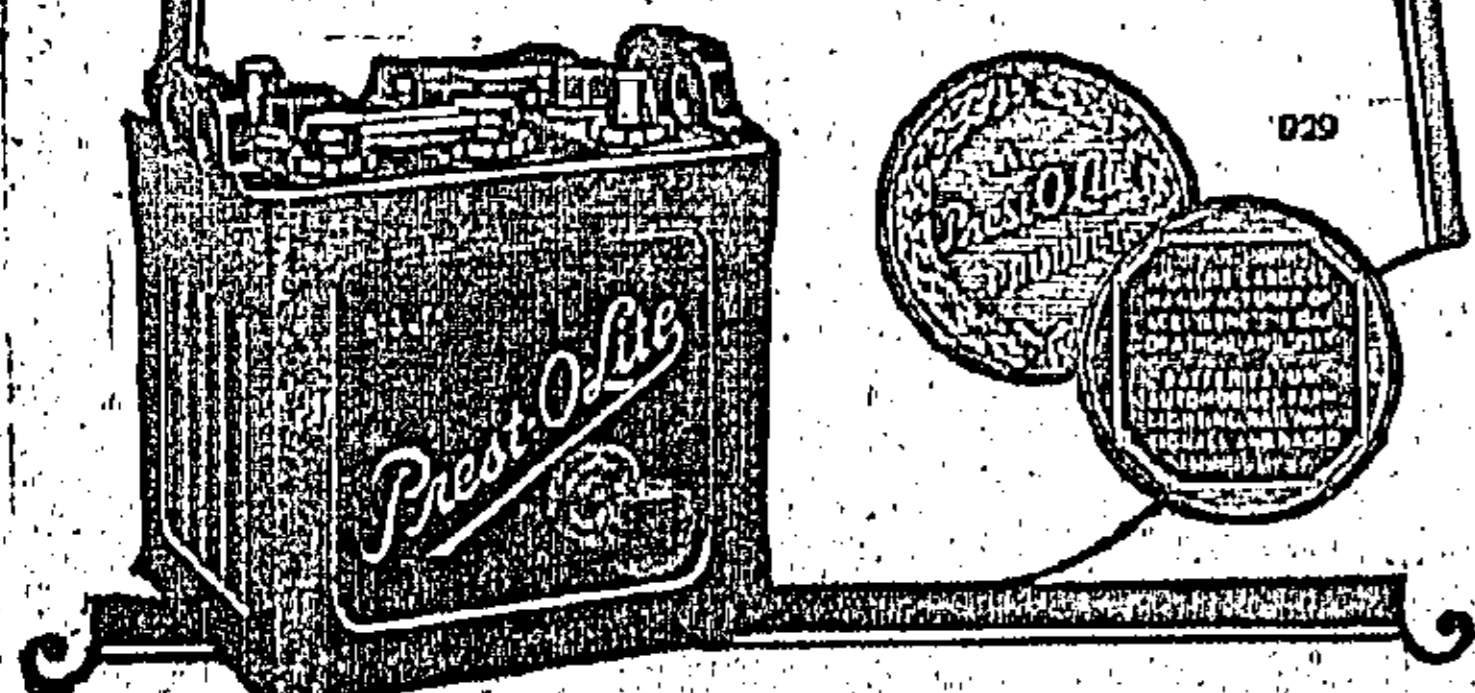
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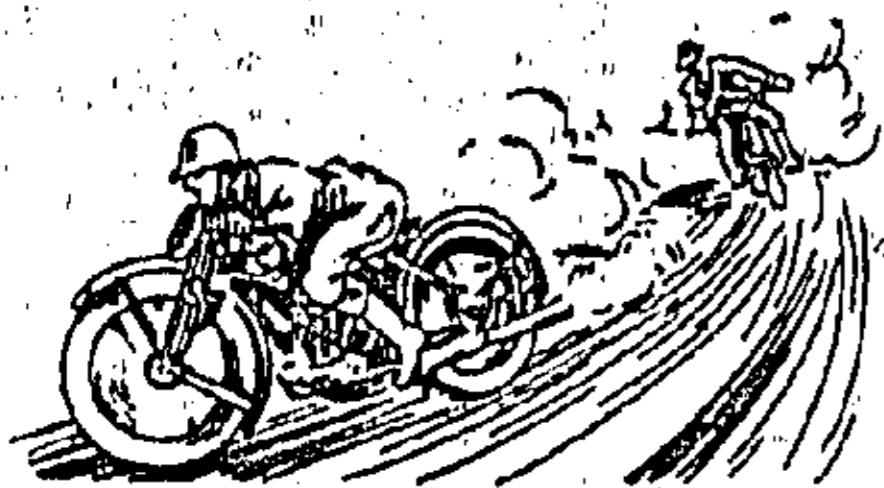
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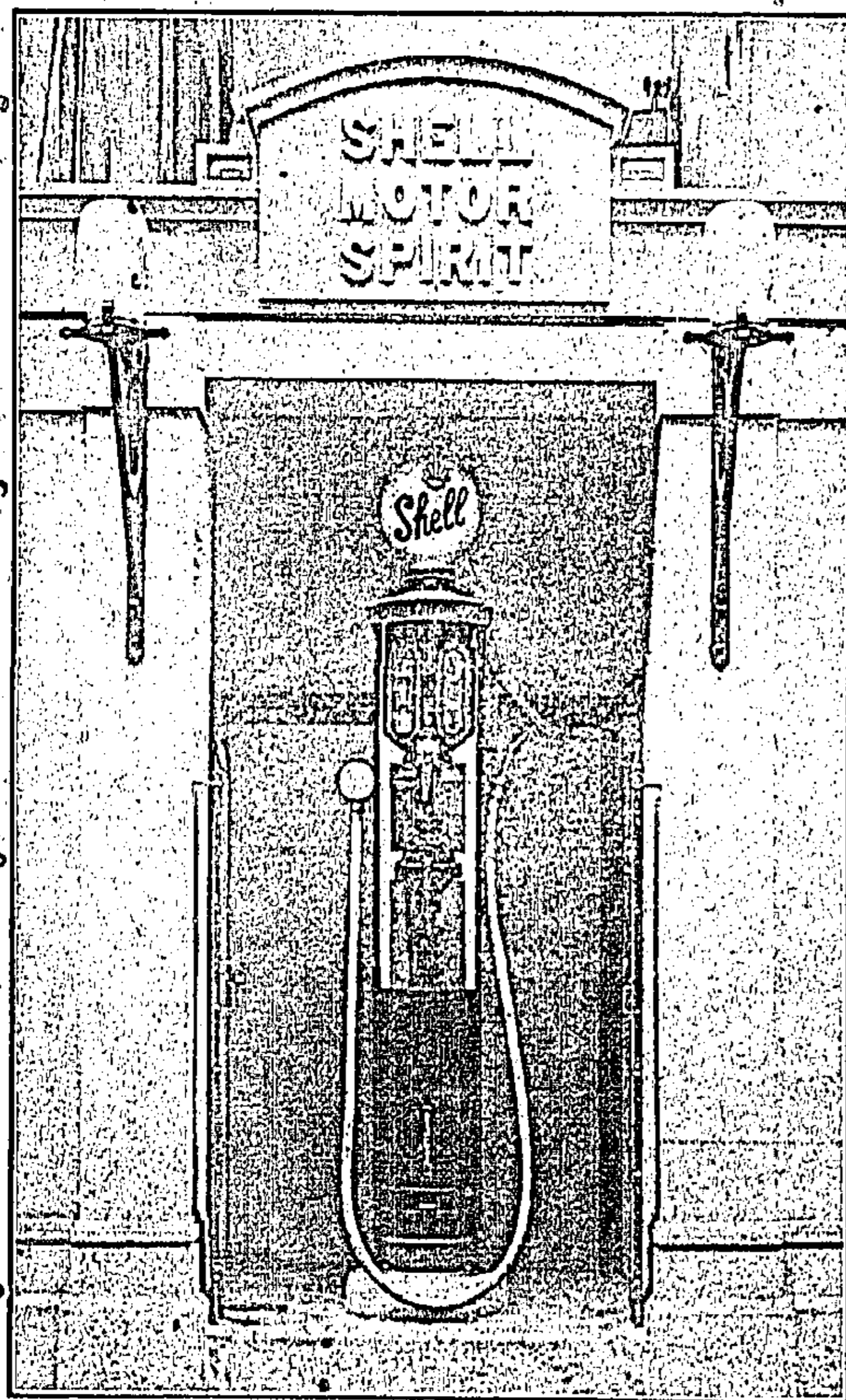
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CYLINDER WATER-LEAK.
Question.—Because of a wrist-pin coming loose, the third cylinder of my engine has been so badly scored that a few drops of water leak into the crankcase each day. Is there anything that can be put into this score to fill it up and stop the leak? Will the small amount of water, mixing with the oil, have serious effects upon the engine?
Answer.—It seems extraordinary that a score could be deep enough to cause a water leak, considering that the cylinder-wall is nearly 1/4 inch thick, but possibly there was a blowhole in the cylinder casting, where the scores took place. There are special alloys, which are fused into scores and ground to surface, which make successful repairs. Almost any welding concern can handle this operation. Are you absolutely sure that this water comes through the score in the cylinder wall? It seems incredible. Doesn't the water come from a leaky cylinder-head gasket and run down the bore, collecting in noticeable amounts at the scored place? Even a little water in the oil may cause slight rusting of the bores. However, it will collect at the bottom of the oil-pan, and by drawing off a little liquid each day or two, from the oil-drain hole, you can eliminate most of it.

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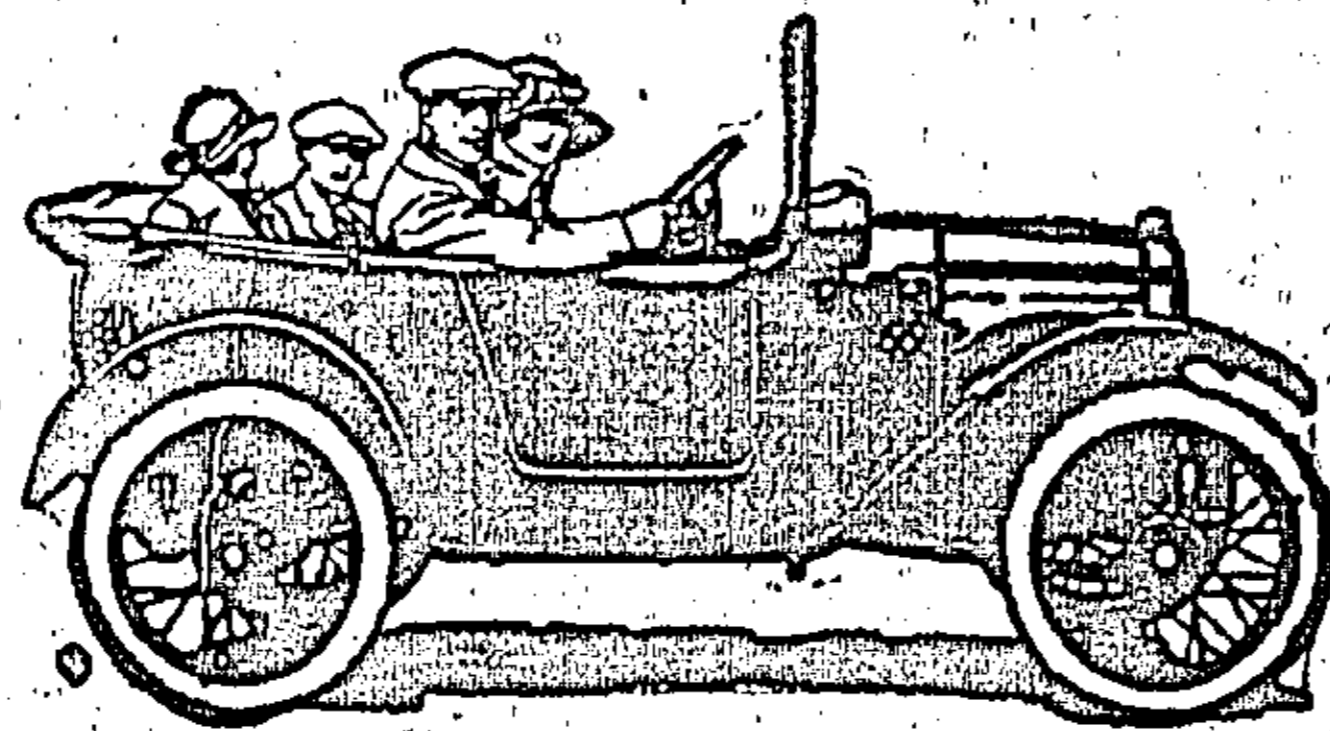
A curious suggestion is being considered by the municipal and rural authorities of New South Wales, with a view to discouraging dangerous motor driving. The proposal is to erect a "death" sign at every spot on the public highways where a motor fatality has occurred. These signs would unfortunately appear at frequent intervals, and it is believed that they would have a restraining effect upon reckless motorists.

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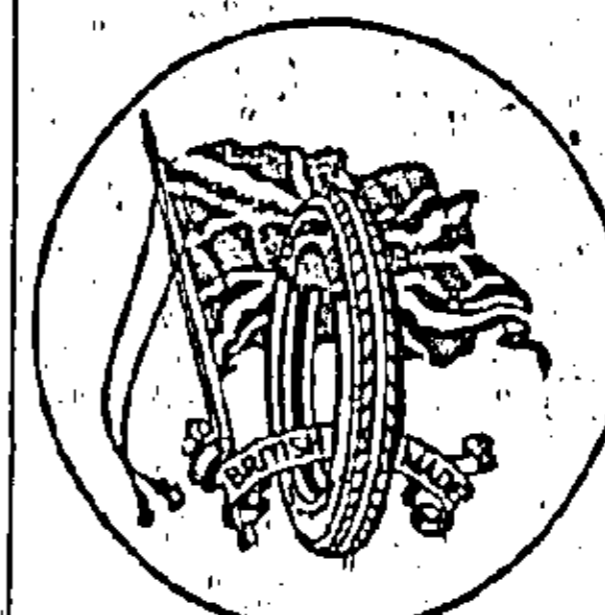
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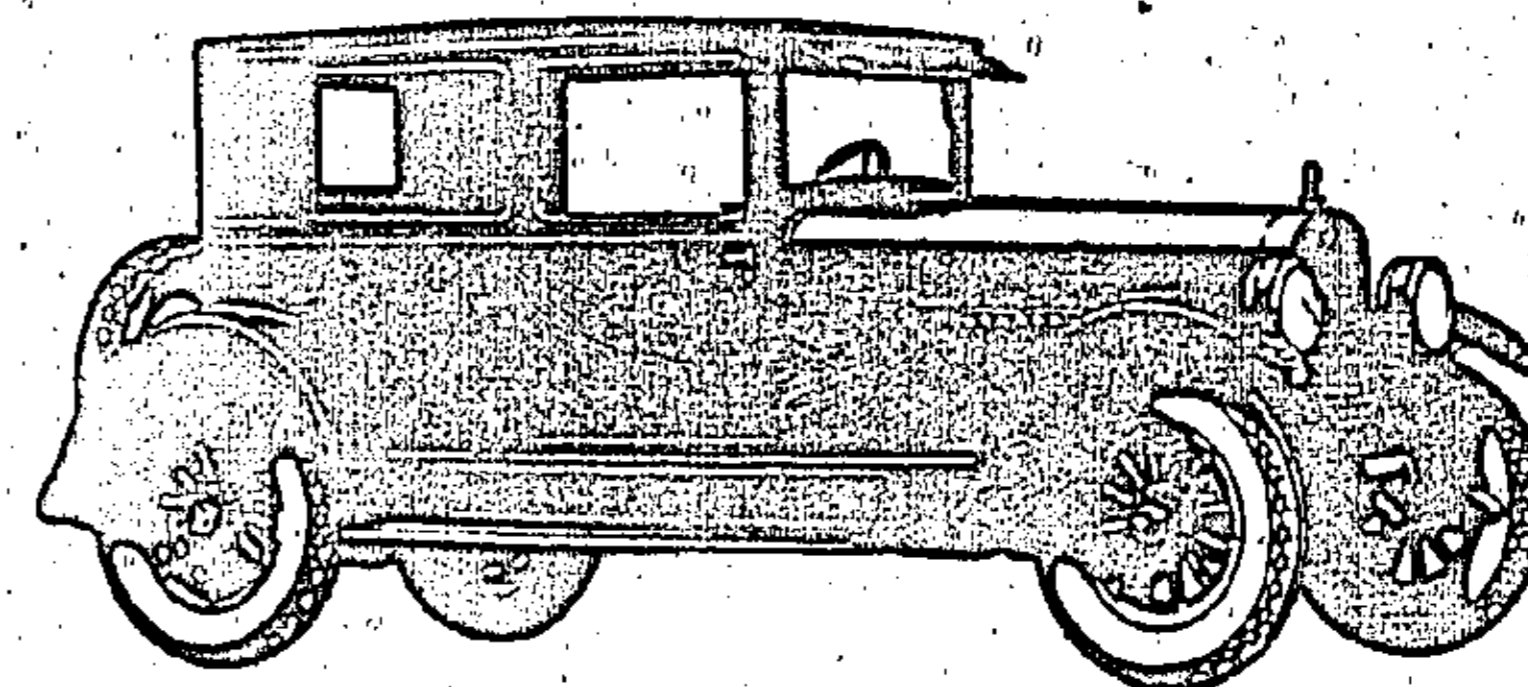
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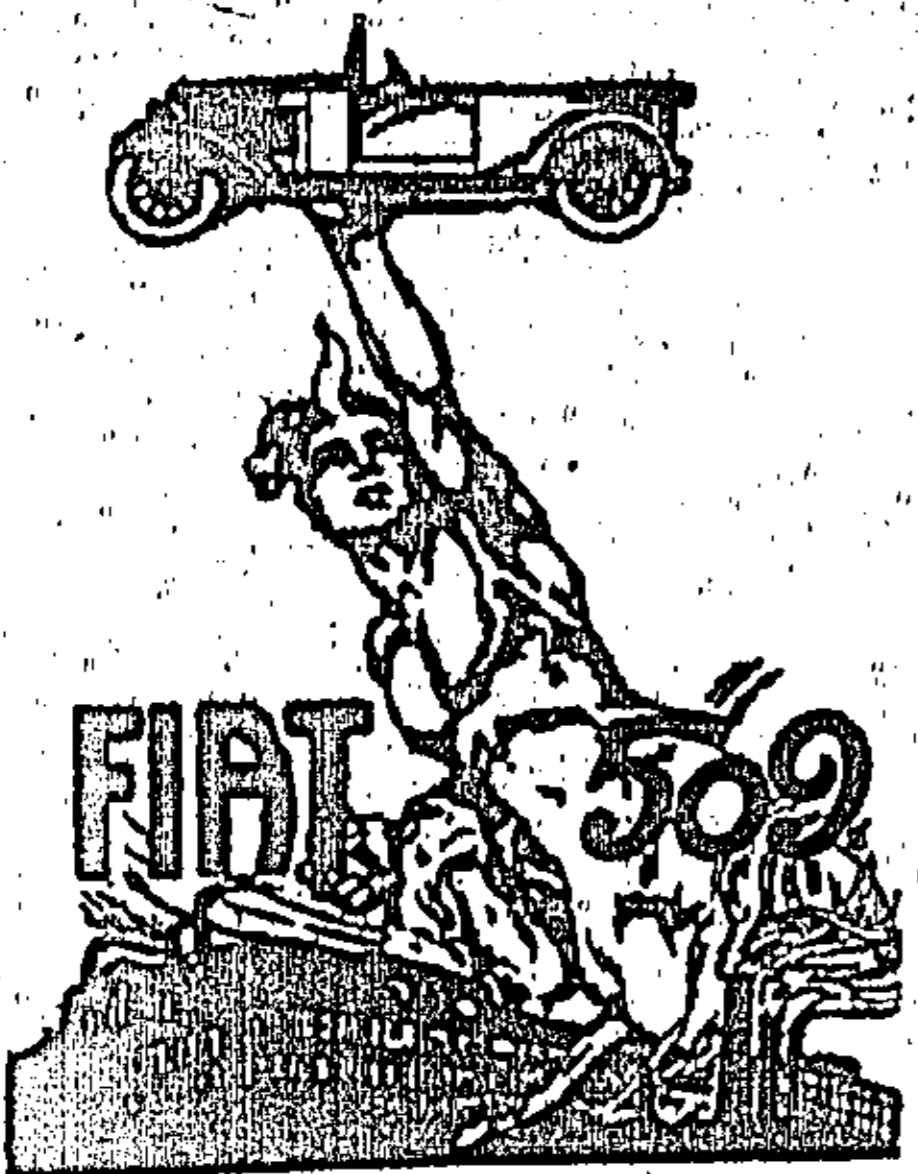
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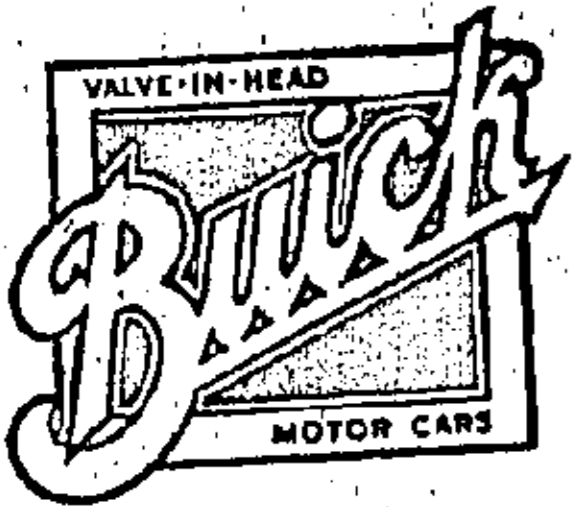
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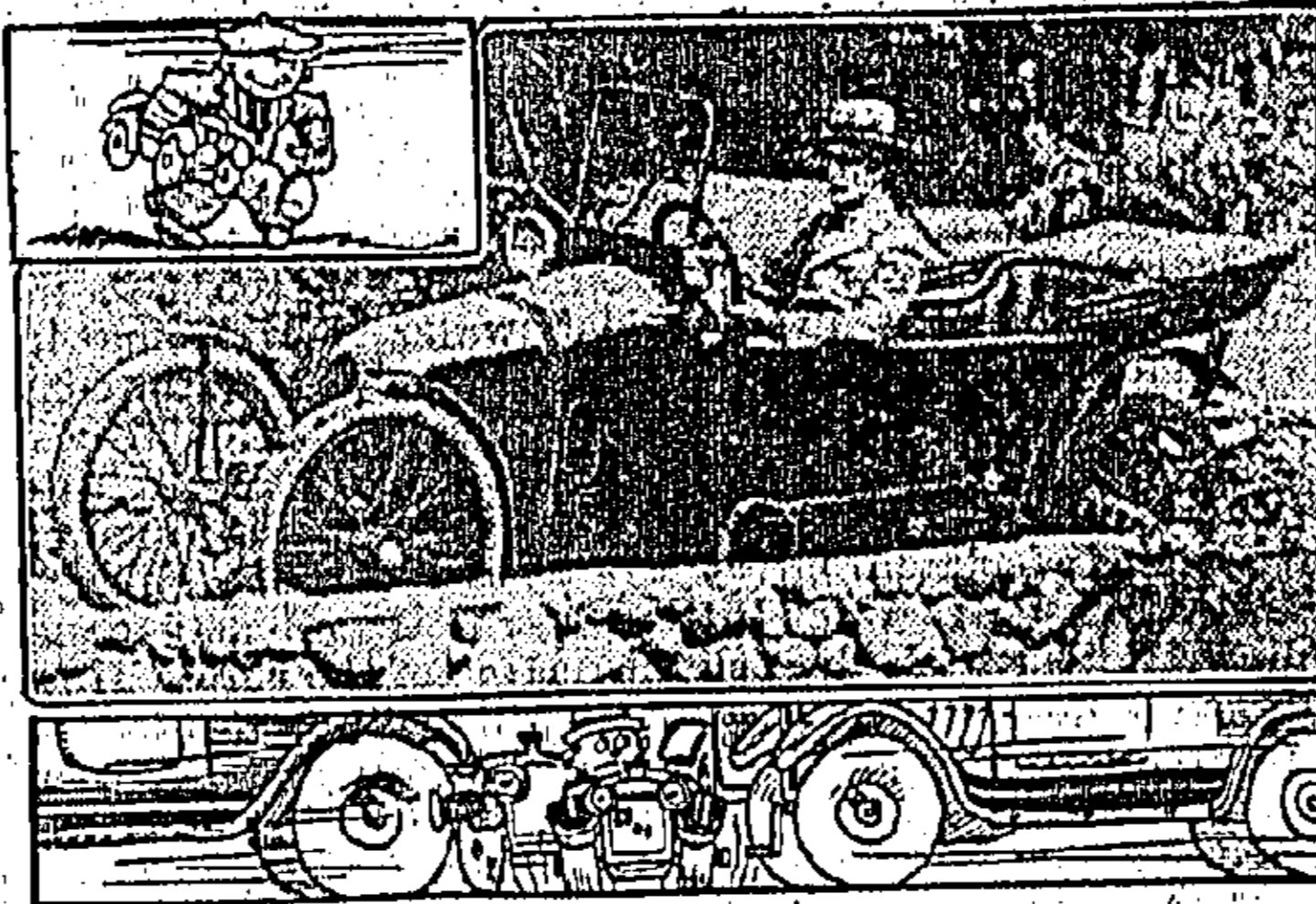
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One of these American-made machines still is travelling the streets of Indianapolis, perhaps the world's original "European" car. It is small, it is light, and its cost of operation and maintenance is far below that of any standard car in America.

Even its name, "Economy car," designates, far in advance the purpose for the manufacture of the European type car to-day.

Charles A. Trask, Indianapolis engineer, is the owner of this car. He has had it for the last 13 years. He has a modern type, larger automobile, but depends on this little car for his city business and short distance driving.

The car has a 98-inch wheel base, two inches shorter than the shortest standard model in this country. Its tread is 36 inches. The wheels carry 28 by 3-inch tyres, which have lasted him an average of four and a half years for a set.

TWO-CYLINDER ENGINE.

The engine is of the two-cylinder, air-cooled, motorcycle type, with an additional fan and fly-wheel. It's the same engine with which the car started 13 years ago, and on which Trask has spent very little for repairs.

A planetary transmission furnishes two speeds forward and a reverse.

The car has a "one-man" top which has been replaced twice. Its entire weight is 700 pounds.

Trask has driven the car 60,000 miles, he says. And it's still as good as ever. It will attain a speed of 40 miles an hour, will make 45 miles on a gallon of gasoline, and will use up only five gallons of oil in a year's driving.

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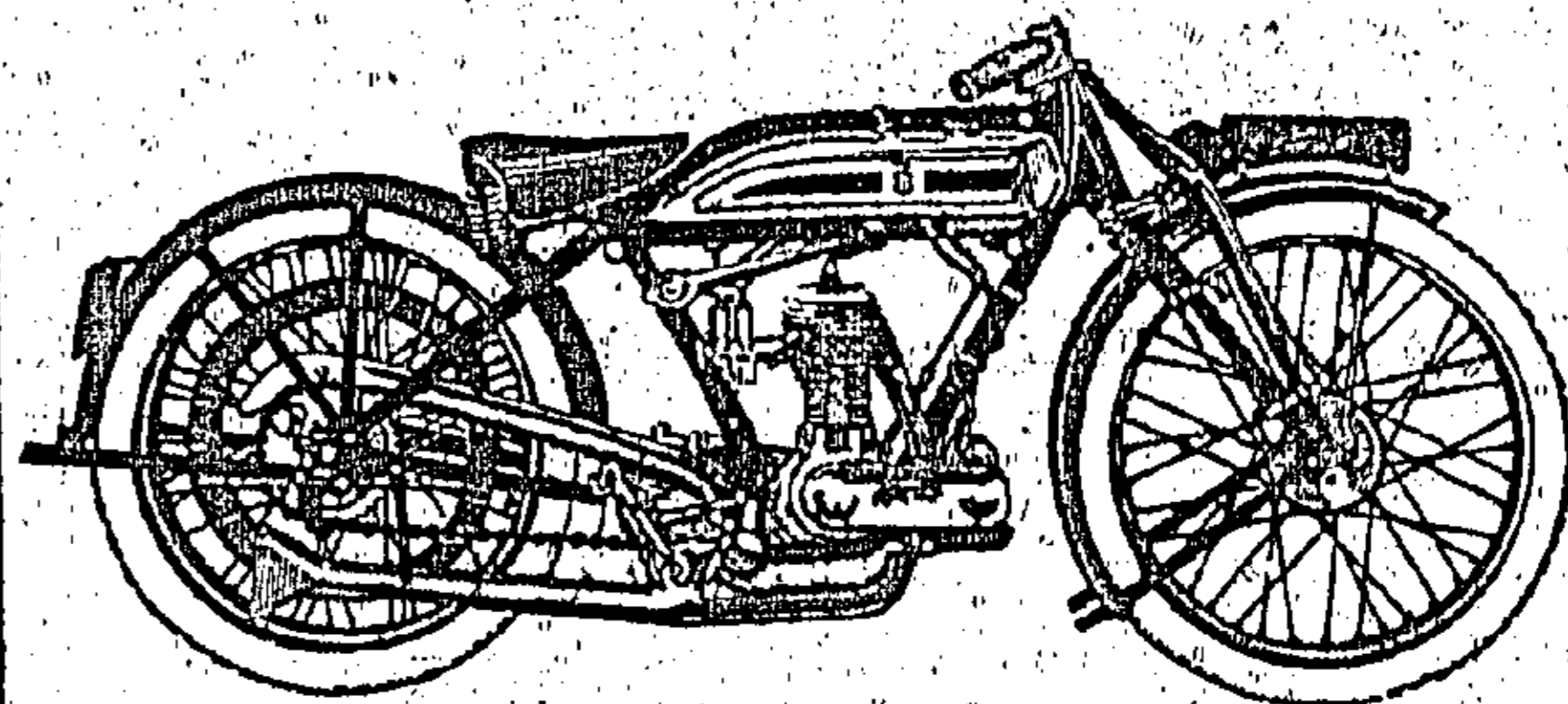
"For city driving, when alone or with one passenger," Trask explains, "it is far superior to my big car. I get through traffic much more rapidly, usually can find parking space without difficulty, and the expense of operation is less than half that of the most economical standard tread car."

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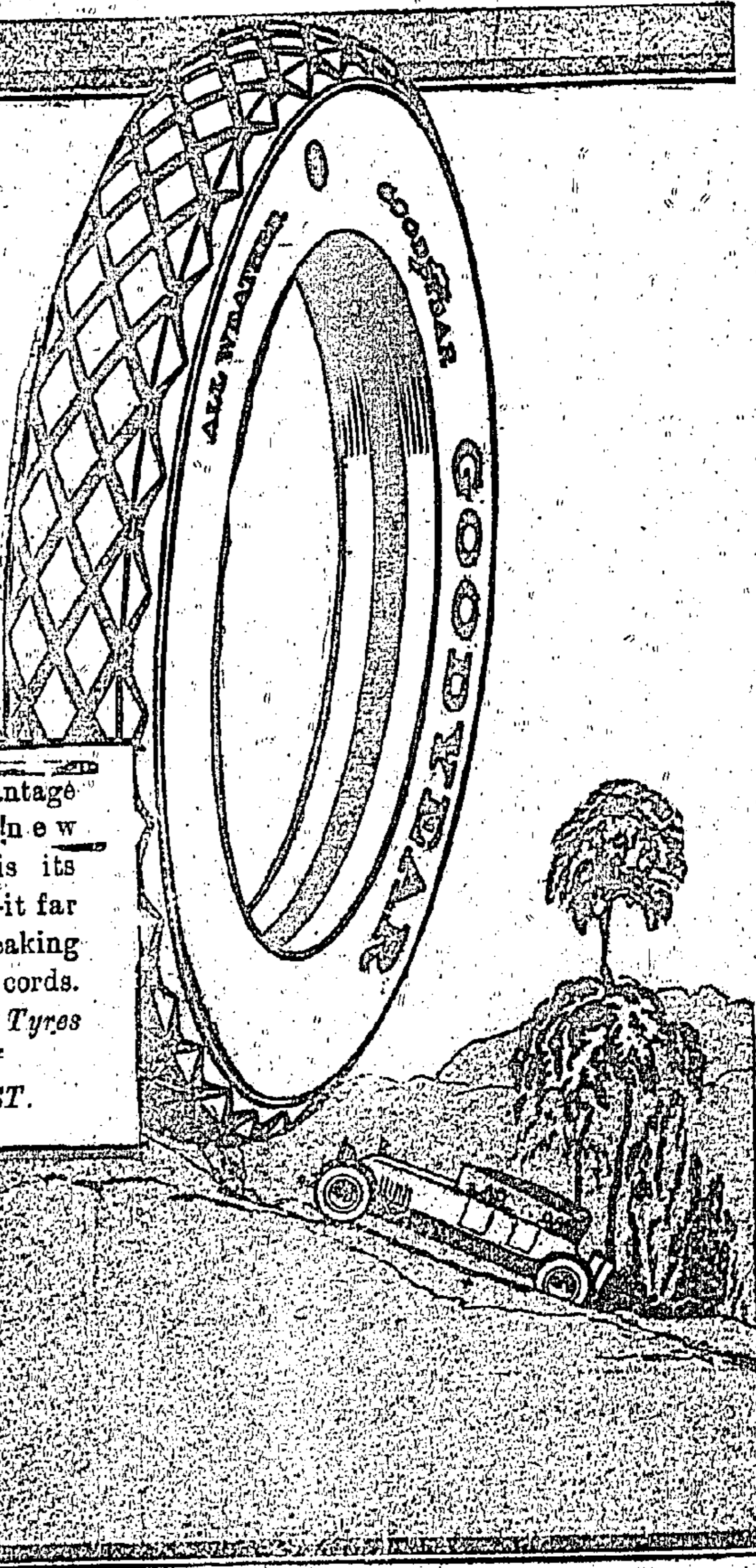
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NEW HEART FOR BIRMINGHAM.

Birmingham will become the most perfect civic centre in the British Empire if a scheme, which is already nearly completed, is passed by the general purposes committee of the city council.

The scheme involves an expenditure of more than one million pounds on planning and constructing a new heart for the city, for which architects in every part of the world will be invited to submit designs.

It will result in the centre of Birmingham being moved a quarter of a mile to the west.

Gardens will be laid out, and new buildings, such as a Mansion House for the Lord Mayor, a concert hall to hold 10,000 people, a new public library, and a number of other additional public buildings, will be constructed.

The architects invited to submit designs for this reconstruction will be asked to suggest a general lay-out for the area as well as plans and designs for the most suitable type of buildings.

The scheme will be put forward by Sir David Brooks, chairman of the sub-committee concerned, and it is understood that the city council are sympathetic towards it. They consider that the scheme will meet a long-felt want.

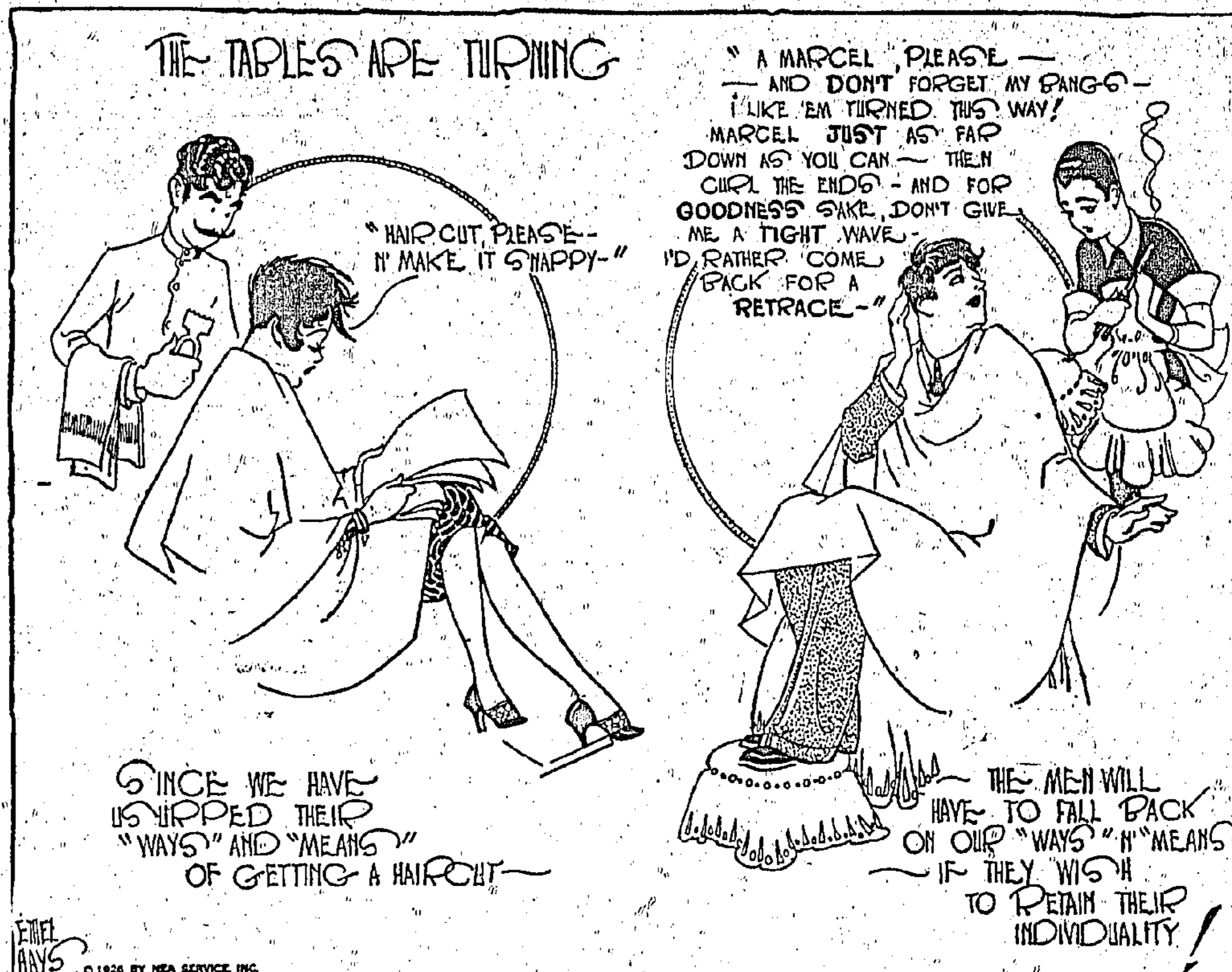
Birmingham has long been without adequate civic buildings. This new scheme will group them round the war memorial, and will turn the heart of Birmingham into a place of perfect buildings, new and old, and beautiful gardens.

The present Council House and other municipal buildings will be retained, but when the scheme is completed they will form part of a square covering more than thirty acres, with new roads branching from it and new commercial areas opened up.

It is probable that in order to complete this any leases which fall due will be acquired by the council, and that the buildings concerned will be pulled down or reconstructed.

"Our object is to make Birmingham the largest and the most perfect civic centre in the Empire," said Sir David Brooks.

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"Birmingham needs a new civic centre equal to that of any city in the world, and Birmingham intends to have it."

"The necessary expenditure will be arranged by the city council under Government authority, and will be repaid by means of an annual sinking fund."

"We have had to fill up canals to make the site perfect, and we shall have to pull down factories and houses to further it, but, when finished, it will have provided Birmingham with a group of civic buildings—its new heart—which no other city in the Empire can surpass."

Sir David Brooks has been a member of the city council since 1901. He became Lord Mayor on the resignation of Mr. Neville Chamberlain in January 1917, and was twice re-elected. He was chairman of the committee which dealt with the extension of the city boundary in 1911, and is the originator of the present scheme.

INGENIOUS THEFT.

EMPTY HAMPER IN LUGGAGE VAN.

An ingenious method of stealing, alleged by the prosecution to have been used by John Slayford, a Lambeth stoker, was described at Woking recently when Slayford was charged with being concerned, with a man not in custody, with the theft of tobacco.

The prosecution said Slayford's method was to put a large empty hamper in the luggage van of a corridor train. During the journey he would enter the van, hav-

ing a confederate in the corridor on the watch, and put whatever articles he could in the hamper. Then, on arriving at the station for which the hamper was labelled, he would claim it in the usual way.

The rail companies, said the prosecuting solicitor, felt they had stumbled on one of the causes of loss of goods and luggage. Slayford's landlady would give evidence that he constantly went out with an empty hamper in the morning, returning at night with a heavily laden one.

It being intimated that three other similar charges would be preferred, a remand was ordered.

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AMENDED LAWS.

HARBOUR MASTER'S
NEW POWERS.

COUNCIL CLERK CHANGE.

The Gazette contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend the Interpretation Ordinance, 1911. This Bill makes three amendments in the Ordinance.

Clause 2 adds to section 25 of the Ordinance, a sub-section which provides that in an appointment to an office it shall not be necessary to name any particular individual but that the appointment may be of the holder of some other office in the name of that office. The sub-section goes on to provide that upon an appointment being made in that form the person who is from time to time, for the time being, performing the duties of the latter office shall be deemed to have been appointed to the former office.

POWER NEEDED.

A particular provision to this effect was inserted recently in the Marriage Amendment Ordinance, 1926. Under that particular provision it will be possible to appoint "the Land Officer" to be Registrar of Marriage, and that one appointment will be sufficient for so long as the Land Officer remains the Registrar of Marriages. Without this power it would be necessary to make a fresh appointment whenever a new Land Officer or acting Land Officer were appointed. Clause 2 of the Bill proposes to make a general provision for this class of case.

DEPUTY-CLERK OF COUNCILS.

In order to reduce the pressure of work on the Assistant Colonial Secretary, it is proposed that, while retaining his duties as Clerk to the Executive Council, he should be relieved of his duties as Clerk to the Legislative Council. There is at present a technical obstacle in the way of this being done, in that the Ordinances generally contemplate only one clerk for both Councils. Clause 3 of the Bill meets this difficulty by providing in effect, for a Deputy Clerk of Councils. The intention is to appoint a Deputy Clerk of Councils who will act as Clerk to the Legislative Council.

HARBOUR MASTER'S POWERS.

Sub-sections (3) and (5) of section 22 of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, gives the Harbour Master certain powers over merchant ships, including, *inter alia*, power to allot berths, and power to give special directions for typhoon weather. It appears, however, that these powers apply only when the merchant ship in question is in a port of the Colony, and, therefore, so far as the port of Victoria is concerned, they do not extend beyond the harbour limits. Table W in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, makes Victoria Harbour a port of the Colony, and section 39 B (7) of the Interpretation Ordinance, 1911, gives the boundaries of the Harbour of Victoria.

Broadly speaking, those boundaries, as at present laid down, exclude everything east of a straight line drawn from North Point to Kowloon City, and they also exclude a large part of the area between Stonecutters Island and the mainland. It has been found in practice that ships anchoring to the eastward of the eastern boundary of the harbour, being outside the harbour limits and thus not being bound to obey orders issued by the Harbour Master under section 22 (5) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, sometimes fail in typhoon weather to raise steam or take other necessary precautions. Such ships sometimes drag their anchors down to the westward into the harbour limits and thus constitute a very grave danger to ships within the harbour limits which have taken all precautions in accordance with the orders of the Harbour Master.

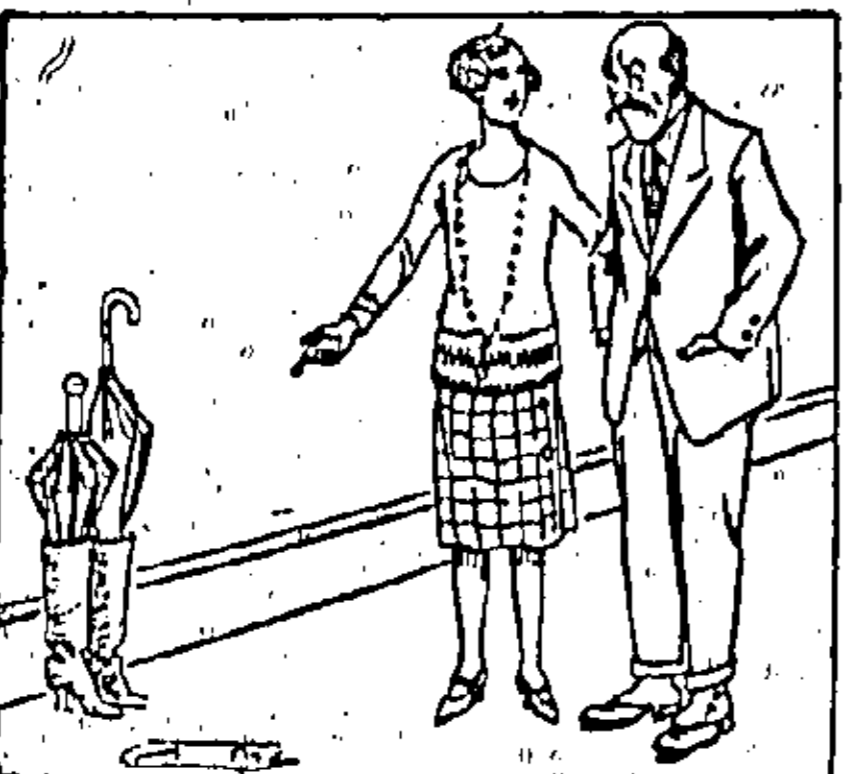
NEW LIMITS.

For this purpose, if for no other, it is essential that the authority of the Harbour Master should extend to the natural boundary of the harbour on the eastward, i.e., to Lyemun Pass. The definition in this Bill extends the harbour to Lyemun Pass on the eastward, and also includes the area north of Stonecutters Island above referred to. This amendment is desirable also for the purposes of section 39 (18) of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, which gives the Harbour Master certain powers over junks, lighters, cargo boats and small craft. It should be noticed that the following results will also flow from the proposed amendment of the harbour limits:—

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Ashley Sterne

I am very sorry, ladies, but you mustn't wear your dear little Russian boots again this winter. At least, so the fashion papers say, though they omit to mention what the penalty is for infringing the edict. Possibly the wearing of them will be its own punishment, since it will be apparent that a woman who persists in defying Fashion's ukase can only possess calves like beer-barrels and ankles like balloons.

I admit that this sudden change of vogue is very distressing, especially from the economic point of view, as it is very hard to find any practical use for discarded Russian boots. One lady of my acquaintance has, however, ingeniously converted hers into a stand for two umbrellas; another has



filled hers with melted lead and is using one as a door-stopper and the other as a paper-weight; while yet a third has cut the uppers off hers, and by means of a little light repousse work, at which she is adept, is busy transforming them into fancy washers for suction-pumps.

One of the exhibits at the recent Inventions Exhibition at Westminster was an "upickable" lock. Our friend, Mr. William Sykes, has since been heard to declare his intention of inventing, by way of retaliation, a silent burglar-alarm.

"Over-indulgence in sweet-eating," says an eminent physician, "often leads to a general down-grading of character." If this indeed be so, the moment is obviously ripe, not to say over-ripe, for instituting some sort of sweet-eaters' Rescue Society. Inspectors of the Society might then be sent round to all our cinemas and theatres, and whenever they observed a young person tempted to eat one pear-drop over the eight, they should take him or her aside, and gently but firmly seek to persuade the victim to cast the noxious confection away and try sucking instead. In order to drive the lesson home the Inspectors might further be provided with tracts in which the moral downfall of the wretched boy who had given way to a craving for aniseed-balls was depicted in glowing phrases; how, by persisting in the awful practice, he drove both his parents to drink and himself to a life of crime, and how he was at last spared a humiliating death on the scaffold by dying of billiousness while he was being pinioned. This, I think, is suitably illustrated with coloured diagrams of a chronic jujube-suckers' liver and the oesophagus of a Pontefract cake fiend, would go far towards stopping this insidious and debasing habit.

A man rushed into a City tea-shop the other afternoon and discharged three shots from a revolver. I have it on the authority of a customer who was present that at least two of the waitresses were distinctly heard to moan in their sleep.

Since Mr. Bernard Shaw has admitted that he attributes his child-like complexion to the fact that he only uses water, and never soap to wash his face, it has occurred to me that possibly all famous men have their own peculiarities as to face-washing, and accordingly I faced my own little coterie of celebrities to inquire what they were in the habit of cleaning their dials with. Here are their answers:—

- Vessels affected by the Quarantine Regulations in Table L in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, if arriving in Hongkong between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., will have to anchor outside Lyemun Pass.
- Under Regulation 7 of Table M in the Schedule to the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, vessels exceeding 60 tons will have to reduce their speed to 3

Professor Barmion-Crumpett.—Emery-paper and a spokeshave.
Professor Linnaeus Leberwurst.—Vacuum-Cleaner.

Professor Pfiffinger Rottenblatter.—Bath Brick.
Sir Batta Innes-Belfry.—Tar.
Dr. Bulkley Stodger.—Nitroglycerine and nitro-cucumber.

Professor Anacosthesius Bilgewater.—Acetylene blow-flame.
Mr. Bensley Tasher.—"I generally use a palette-knife, but in addition I have my face bleached with quick-lime every alternate Leap Year."

Excavations at Sehwan, Sind have revealed a number of hitherto unknown verses by Omar Khayyam. So let us adjourn to Hotum T's tavern, and drink a few Gin-and-Pitfalls to the Immortal Memory of the Bibulous Bard, whereafter I will recite:—

Good Omar, in these Times of grave Unrest,
When bronchial colds afflict each heaving Chest,
And German coal pollutes our atmosphere,
While Life itself seems sans Alloy, sans Zest;

"Tis sweet to think that in far-off Sehwan,
You still have Comfort to bestow on Man,
Singing the praise of Jamshyd's Seven-Ring'd Cup,
Again, as erst you did in Teheran.

For though the Pussyfoots may urge until they're blue,
The harm which from the Vineyard may accrue,
'Tis better far to wine than just to whine."

And that's the Doctrine taught, good Sake, by you!

Ah, yes! I know that many are opposed,
To Praise the Cup o'er which great Jamshyd dozed;
Yet there are others who delight to know,
That your sweet-scented Manuscripts aren't closed!

OBSCURE INDUSTRIES

As, in the gloom of the Picture Palace you have sat sucking your peppermint bull's-eyes, have you ever considered how this delectable sweetmeat became possessed of the flavoursome and pungent white stripes which encircle it? Little can you have imagined that away, in a remote village in Oxon, there exists a colony of highly skilled artists who pass their days painting these pristine bands upon the crude black globules of toffee as they come warm and viscous straight from the castings.



moulds. The greatest mathematical precision has to be exercised in applying the stripes, as any deviation from the authentic geometrical design may cause the consumer to contract gum-boils or even pyrrhonia. The pattern has consequently to be first traced upon the surface with diamond-pointed calipers, and the exact amplitude of curvature checked by means of the differential calculus. The artists, many of whom have been trained at the Mialid School, are paid at a very high rate for their labours, since the work not only demands an advanced degree of skill, but it must on no account be sent for exhibition at the Royal Academy. Nor may the artists hold "private views" of their handiwork, the manufacturers rightly contending that the consumption of the finished bull's-eye affords them all the "puff" they are entitled to.

To obtain "face" value, a Chinese woman visiting relatives newly arrived from the country, borrowed jewellery from a sympathising fellow-lodger and wore it at the visit. As days passed by and the woman had not returned, the owner of the trinkets realised that she had been swindled by a trick, and yesterday she made a report to the police, giving the value of the jewellery as \$80.

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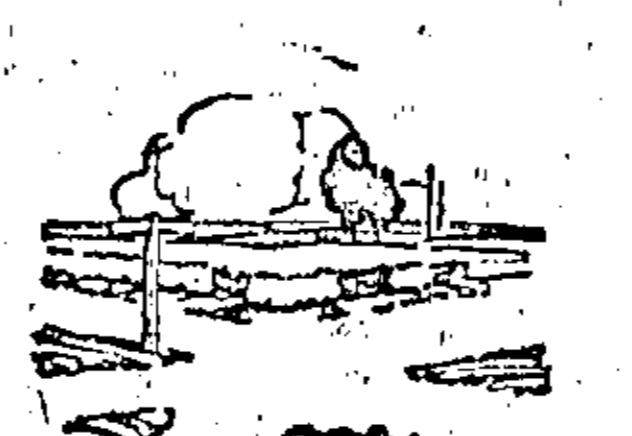
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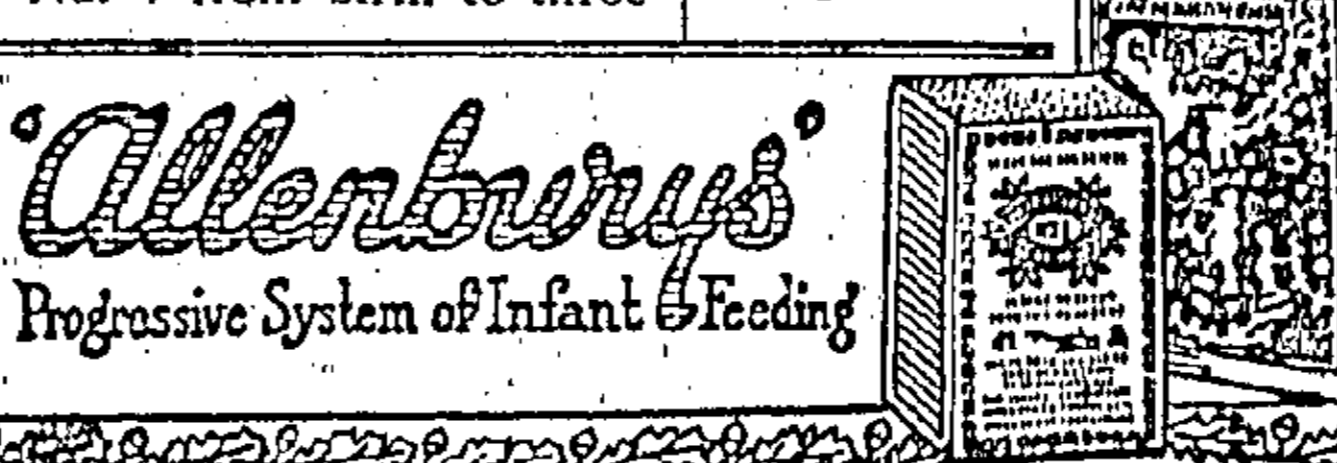
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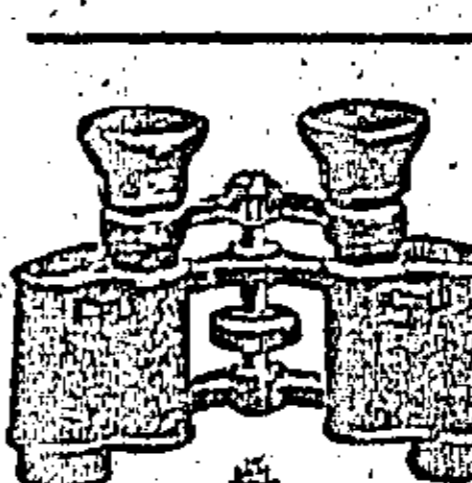


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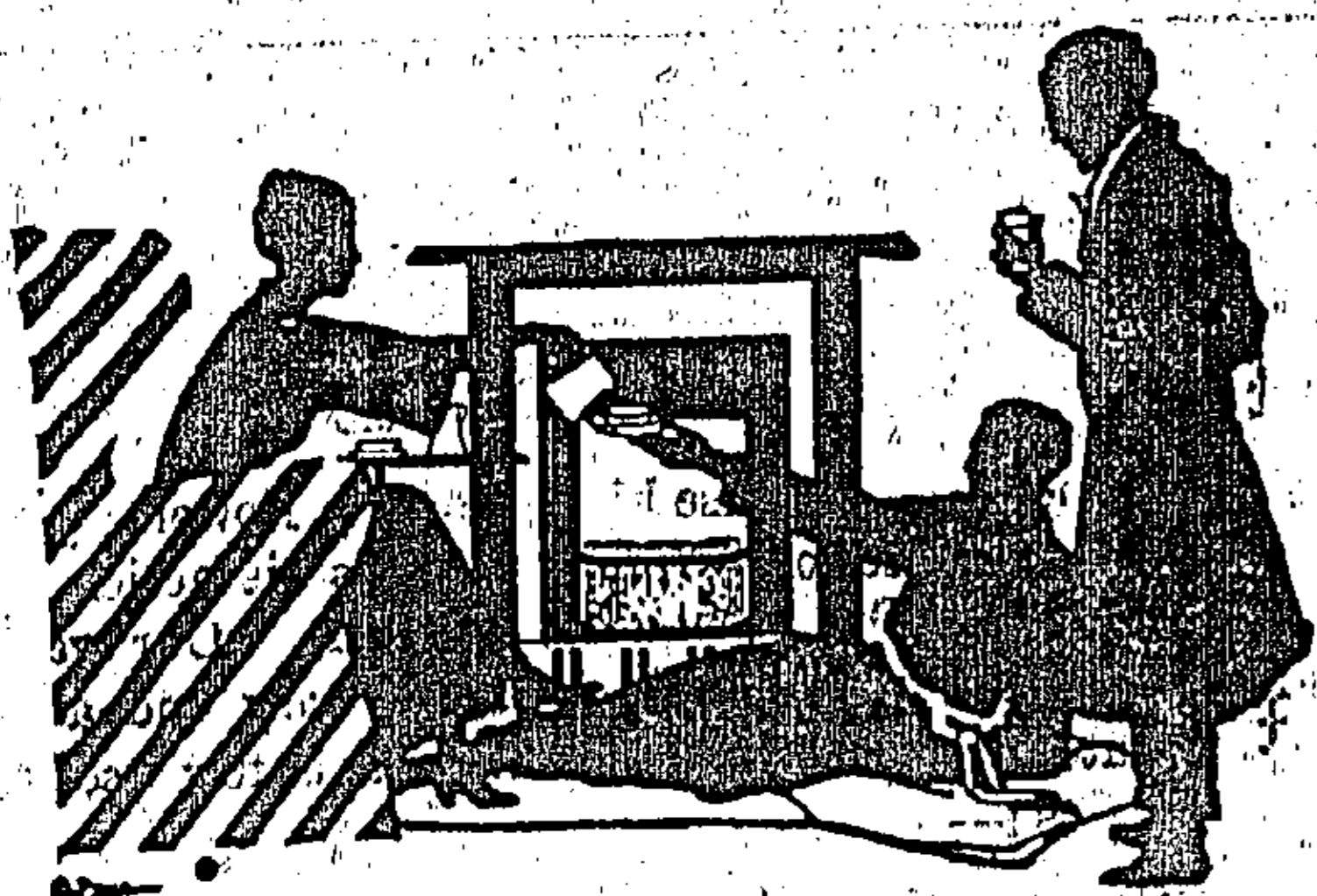
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YESTERDAY'S AUCTIONS.

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT CHINA ROOM.

The attendance at the China Auction Rooms yesterday—afternoon was probably the largest seen at a public auction for some time, the attraction being six very valuable leasehold properties situated in various parts of the Colony. Although there was a great deal of bidding for each of the six lots only two were sold, the other four being withdrawn, the reserve price not reached.

The first of the two lots sold was that situated on the remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 68, together with the building erected thereon and known as No. 4, Koi Shing Street.

Starting at \$25,000 with bids of \$200 each, acceptable, the lot was knocked down to Mr. Kwong King-chuen, for the sum of \$38,000.

A similar price was paid by Mr. To Long-chuen for the other sold lot, which was also offered at \$25,000 with bids of \$200 each acceptable. The lot comprised Section H of Inland Lot No. 1247 and Section H of Inland Lot No. 1262 respectively, 7 and 8 Mui Fong Street.

After reaching \$31,400, No. 4 Mosque Street, which was put up at \$25,000 at \$200 bids, was withdrawn.

The other three lots were more valuable and in each case bids of not less than \$500 each were asked. "Hazelde" No. 68, Robinson Road, was withdrawn at \$64,500 an increase of \$14,500 on the upset price of \$50,000, while No. 22, Stanley Street was withdrawn at the same mark after \$9,500 had been added to a similar upset price as in the previous lot.

There were ten bids of \$500 each offered for No. 161 Des Voeux Road, West, which was withdrawn at \$40,000.

U. S. STEEL CORPORATION.

LARGE INCREASE IN COMMON SHARES PROPOSED.

London, Dec. 17.

It is officially announced that the United States Steel Corporation has unanimously voted to recommend to the stockholders at the annual meeting to be held in April, 1927, that the Corporation's common shares be increased by 2,033,210 shares, which is equivalent to forty per cent of the present outstanding common shares, for the purpose of distributing them as an extra special dividend to the common stockholders.

Although some distribution has long been expected, the size of the bonus comes as a general surprise. As a stock feature to-day's market dealt with an enormous volume which reached over 157 or over three points above the previous day's dealings.—*Reuter.*

Having disclosed that there is enough money in the American treasury to warrant a 15 per cent credit on this year's income taxes the administration feels that the next move is up to Congress. It was said at the White House that President Coolidge, through Congress, is the best judge of what should be done with the surplus.



BANK NOTE CASE.

LEAVE TO APPEAL GRANTED.

Sir Henry Gollan, K. C. and Mr. Justice J. R. Wood sat in appellate jurisdiction yesterday afternoon to hear an application by Mr. Eldon Potter K. C. for leave to appeal from a decision in the Summary Court by Mr. Justice Wood. The case was the Bank note case in which a Chinese plaintiff claimed \$500, the value of a Hongkong and Shanghai Bank note, which was damaged in washing, a garment in which it was sewn for safety.

Judgment was given against the Bank which was represented by Mr. Potter. Mr. Somerset Fitzroy appeared for the plaintiff. Mr. Potter after stating his application said the decision involved a question of considerable importance, not only to the Bank but to the general public in that it was liable to have a big effect on the note issue of the Colony. He then went on to examine the judgment in the court below and in doing so quoted many authorities.

The Chief Justice asked counsel whether if the lady owning the note had taken its number and was in a position to go to the Bank and say, "I have treated this note like this but the number was so and so" the Bank would be liable to pay.

Mr. Potter submitted the Bank would not be liable in strict law although he could say that they unquestionably would. Their object was not to avoid payment, that was the last thing they wanted to do. But the matter was bigger than that. He ought to remind them that the chief accountant had given evidence that these notes were presented at the rate of one a week. Serial numbers was an important thing, the whole system of the Bank's note issue being based on that.

His Lordship: I can see the convenience of that.

After conferring with the Puisne Judge the Chief Justice granted the leave to appeal.

MEXICAN OIL LAWS.

FOREIGN COMPANIES SENT REMINDER.

Mexico City, Dec. 17. The Government has telegraphed to foreign companies that if they do not apply for confirmation of their titles in accordance with the oil laws within the time limit they will be deemed to have renounced their rights.

A statement, however, in the same telegram, says the law does not provide "for forfeiture" for violation of the provisions.

A further statement commented on is that a number of the largest companies, popularly considered foreign, such as La Corona and El Gulla (Mexican Eagle Oil) are Mexican, according to their articles of incorporation.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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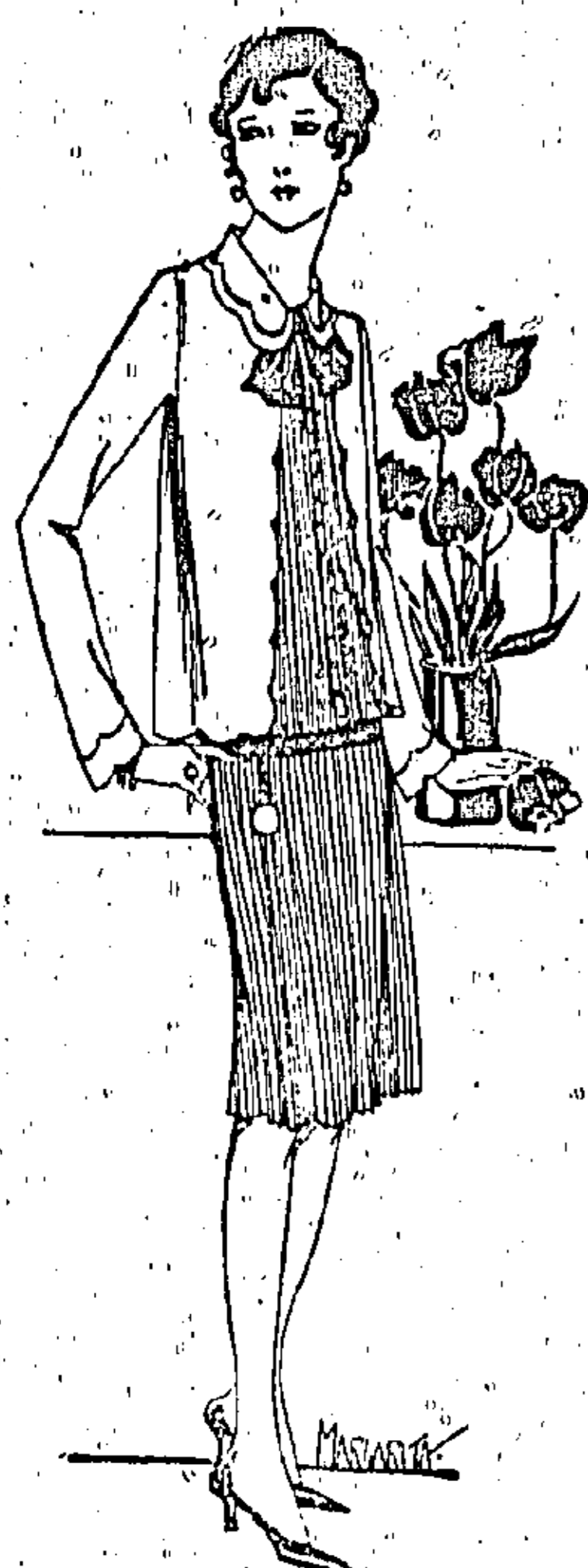
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IS IT REALLY HEALTHY?

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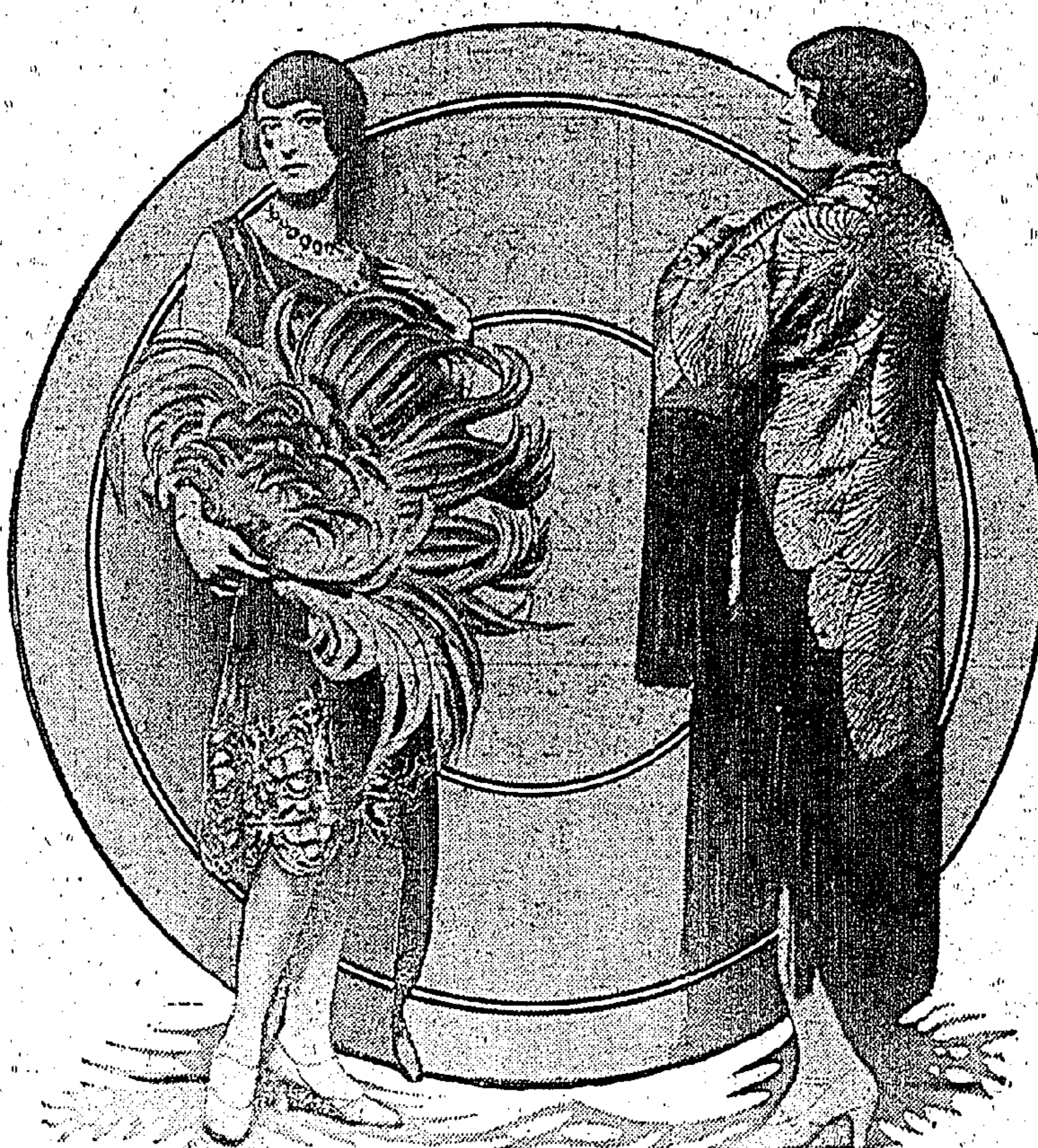
The soundest rule for everybody is to dance in moderation. Taken in moderate doses, a good dance after the day's work is an admirable tonic. The evils of dancing are nearly all traceable to the abuses of early morning parties, excessive smoking, and a resort to cocktails because they are fashionable rather than because they are enjoyed. Dancing for the average person can be as healthy as tennis or any other out-door pastime if a few simple prohibitions are borne in mind. It may sound ridiculous to suggest to people that they should avoid overcrowded ballrooms, but if they want a healthy dance they will certainly have to do so.

Grace and Pleasure.

Another point, to bear in mind is your style of dancing. The Charleston has not helped matters in this direction. It has "made dancing ugly, and ugliness, giving as it does very little pleasure, adds nothing of value to one's individual well-being. Look after your dancing style, acquire grace and a fleet movement in the dances you do, and you cannot but derive inspiration and physical improvement from the process.

Don't dance for the sake of dancing, either in summer or winter, or you will speedily be reduced to boredom. If you dance whenever you feel the need of it you can never go wrong in your calculations.

Perhaps it is true that we take our dancing too self-consciously and wonder whether we ought to enjoy ourselves while the enjoyment is slipping away. But the warm and cordial atmosphere, the attractive lighting, the exhilarating music of an average ballroom are undoubtedly of enormous recuperative value to normal humanity, and it is a sound instinct which makes for the dance floor without paying too much attention to ulterior matters of health and sanity.



Two accessories that no smart debutante or matron could possibly do without are a coloured fan and a golden shawl.

OVER THE TEA CUPS.

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BY "JOAN.")

London, November, 18.

Stephanie's first contribution to our page is the dainty little nightie herewith, which I am sure you will agree combines grace and utility. It is not one of those affairs which one leaves about negligently for the edification of observers. . . . and wears something else at night! Stephanie says that such a garment made in white, cream, or coloured voile, and inset with torchon lace, will wear and wash and wear again, looking delightful until it falls to bits. Of course, crepe de chine and finer lace can be employed in the making; but the voile is particularly suitable for the design. The pin-tucks, too, are a very delightful form of ornamentation.

Then Margarita's contribution is a little knife-pleated crepe de chine frock, to be worn with a coat of contrasting colour. Those of you who live in climates of a variable nature know what a boon the smart little house-coat can be. Last year it became a recognised article of evening and afternoon wear, supplanting the doubtful "woolly" which was guaranteed to spoil any woman's appearance, to say nothing of the fact that one immediately caught a cold upon leaving it off. This season it has become an integral part of the scheme of things sartorial, in that no "little" dress will be complete without it, and as it is made of a light fabric, it will slip under a wrap coat without suffering any ill effects.

BEING PHOTOGRAPHED.

UNNATURAL POSES.

"Just be perfectly natural, please," he says, and immediately we feel less natural than ever in our lives before, writes V. Sackville West in the *Evening Standard*.

A few moments later, after a frayed effort on our part to recapture through desultory chatter the magic of self-forgetfulness, the horrid man trips us again. "Just hold that expression, please," he says, and the smile stiffens on our lips.

We continue to grin in frozen

IS THAT SO?
Writing of Sir Frank Benson last week reminded me that one of his greatest recruits is now touring Canada—Mr. Matheson Lang. Canada was Mr. Lang's birthplace, and before he left London, he told me that he was looking forward with much interest to playing there. In the course of his career, he has played in nearly all the Dominions, and he considers these tours beneficial to his companies, inasmuch as they prevent the players and plays from becoming stale. Colonial audiences, Mr. Lang thinks, are critical but appreciative of the right thing when they get it, and well "worth while."

He has a charming wife—known to playgoers as Miss Hutin Britton—who is accompanying him on his tour, but doing very little acting this time. They found, on previous occasions, that the Colonials were so hospitable, and the social demands upon them so severe, that Mrs. Lang is taking on that side of the trip and practically nothing else. What a life! By the way, when I saw them together, they told me what I think is a charming story. They met in the Benson company, and Sir Frank, having consideration for a very young actress confronted with the necessity for rehearsing a very "tough" love scene, said to Matheson Lang: "Take her over there somewhere, and work the scene out by yourselves first before you rehearse with the company." "We worked it out, as you

see!" said Mr. Lang, succinctly, and Mrs. Lang added quickly: "I remember thinking at the time that you needn't have been quite so energetic!"

THE STREET OF ADVENTURE.

If there is anyone who wants to read what the Kaiser William II thinks about himself and his activities—and doubtless there are thousands of people sufficiently interested to do so—there is "My Early Life," a book just published by Methuens. In spite of all we know about him, it is thrilling and intriguing to try and work out the why and wherefore of him. Notwithstanding which, it is my personal opinion that the gentleman rightly should be classified among those who assert that "the owl was a baker's daughter."

For admirers of "General John Regan," "Spanish Gold" and the other books of George A. Birmingham, there is a new one entitled "The Smuggler's Cave." I always think that G. A. B. is one of those writers who can be depended upon not to go below a certain standard and to interest even when he does not convince. "Jan Hay" is another writer who never entirely lets one down, and in his new book "Half a Sovereign," you will find his usual light humour and touch. Towards the end, he has a tilt at the occult, but this needn't deter anyone, because it's nothing particularly serious one way or the other.

We can't get away from the human camera. Its little shutter is recording impressions of us, snapshotting our mobility; and as we note approval or criticism so we are prompt to exaggerate or to modify. Unless, indeed we react contrarily and take a spiteful pleasure in going against the influence of our company.

Even so the posturing remains; it catches us either way. There is no escape.

The matter might rest there, with little hurt to anybody. There is, after all, no reason why we should let others see us as we are if we don't choose to. We put on clothes for disguise and decency, so why shouldn't we also put on a

PARIS TELLS US—

Moire and georgette crepe in exactly the same shade are combined in the newest dance frocks.

Velvet and metal cloth are used to make most exotic looking flowers that give a note of interest to evening gowns of coloured velvet, or chiffon.

Slips of changeable satin, or of iridescent fabrics are used under chiffon gowns.

Yellow and green are being promoted as the most popular colours for winter resort costumes.

Attractive combinations of silk and lace to be worn under evening gowns are made without backs, so that they may do service under the most low cut evening gown.

Fur coats for evening, of ermine or sable, are often lined with very soft and pliable velvet instead of silk.

Leather coats in delightful shades of blue, red or green, are trimmed with narrow bands of gold or silver leather.

Chiffon evening frocks are a bit more sophisticated than they were last season, and often are given an unusual effect by the use of ostrich feathers shaded from light to dark in the colour of the frock.

This season's frock often has two coats, one a sleeveless affair of velvet or kasha, and an outside one of fur or heavy wool material.

Reversible coats this season are fur on one side and tweed or kasha on the other.

Chiffon dance frocks are popularly embroidered with rhinestones or encrusted with sequins.

Many of the new scarfs are of wool and they are embroidered in wools in peasant designs.

Flowers of fur are new this season and will probably be very popular on fur coats. They are made of short haired pelts such as unborn calf and pony skin.

Scallops are a very popular form of adornment, particularly for collars, vests, cuffs and wide berthas.



A dainty little garment to be fashioned of voile and lace as described by Joan.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

CHOCOLATE DELYSIA.

A delicious chocolate sweet can be made by taking a quarter of a pound of any good make of chocolate, grating it, and putting it into a basin. Then stand the basin over a saucepan of boiling water for thirty minutes, stirring occasionally. Allow it to cool slightly, and then add separately the yolks of four eggs, beating thoroughly. Whisk the whites of eggs to a very stiff froth and fold them into the mixture ("fold" means add very slowly, without any attempt to beat). Then pour the mixture into a glass dish and stand it aside for eight hours. When ready to serve, cover with cream, and keep it very cold until sent to the table.

No innovation of this season has met with greater response than the bloused back. In evening gowns it is particularly featured.

Black broadcloth coats trimmed with light furs such as summer ermine, natural lynx and light coloured foxes are the very smartest wraps you can effect.

Matching belts and hat bands, particularly in high colours such as Valencia blue or crimson are very much liked with plain coloured kasha or jersey sport dresses.

A SOCIETY BEAUTY.

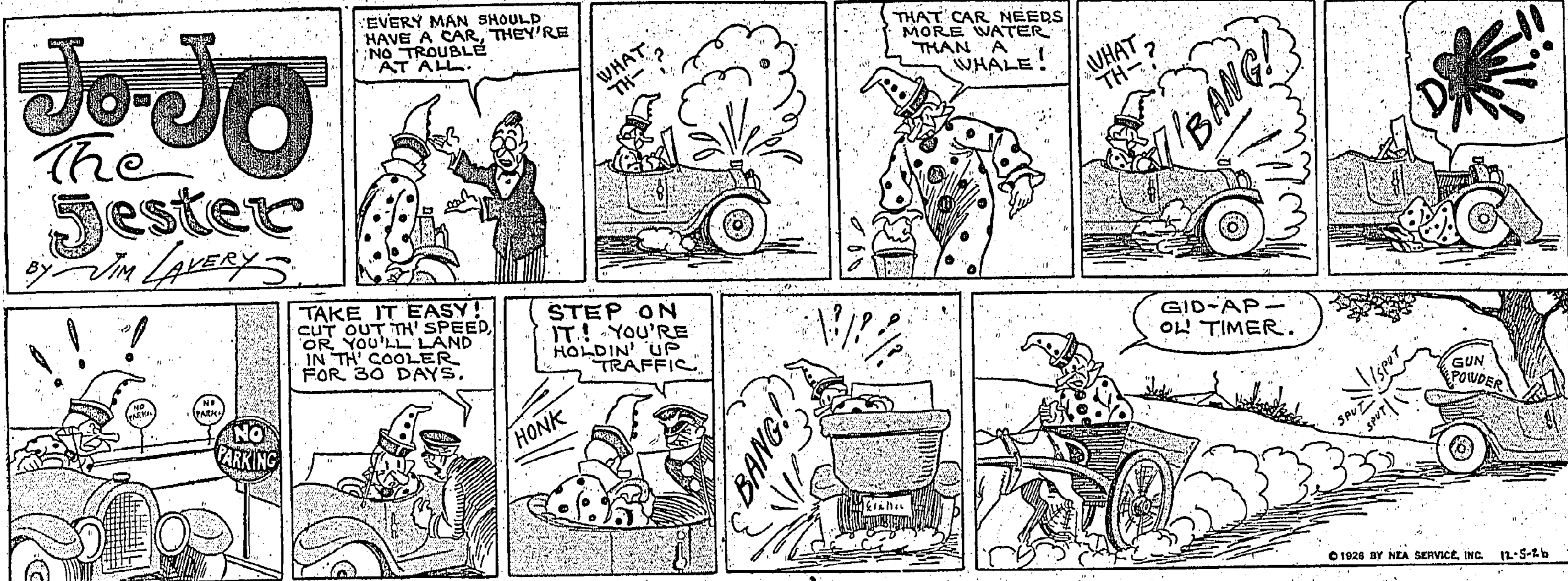


Lady Regina Lisburne, wife of the Earl of Lisburne, is acknowledged as one of the most beautiful women in London society. She is the daughter of Don Julio de Sotomayor, Chilean Attaché to London.

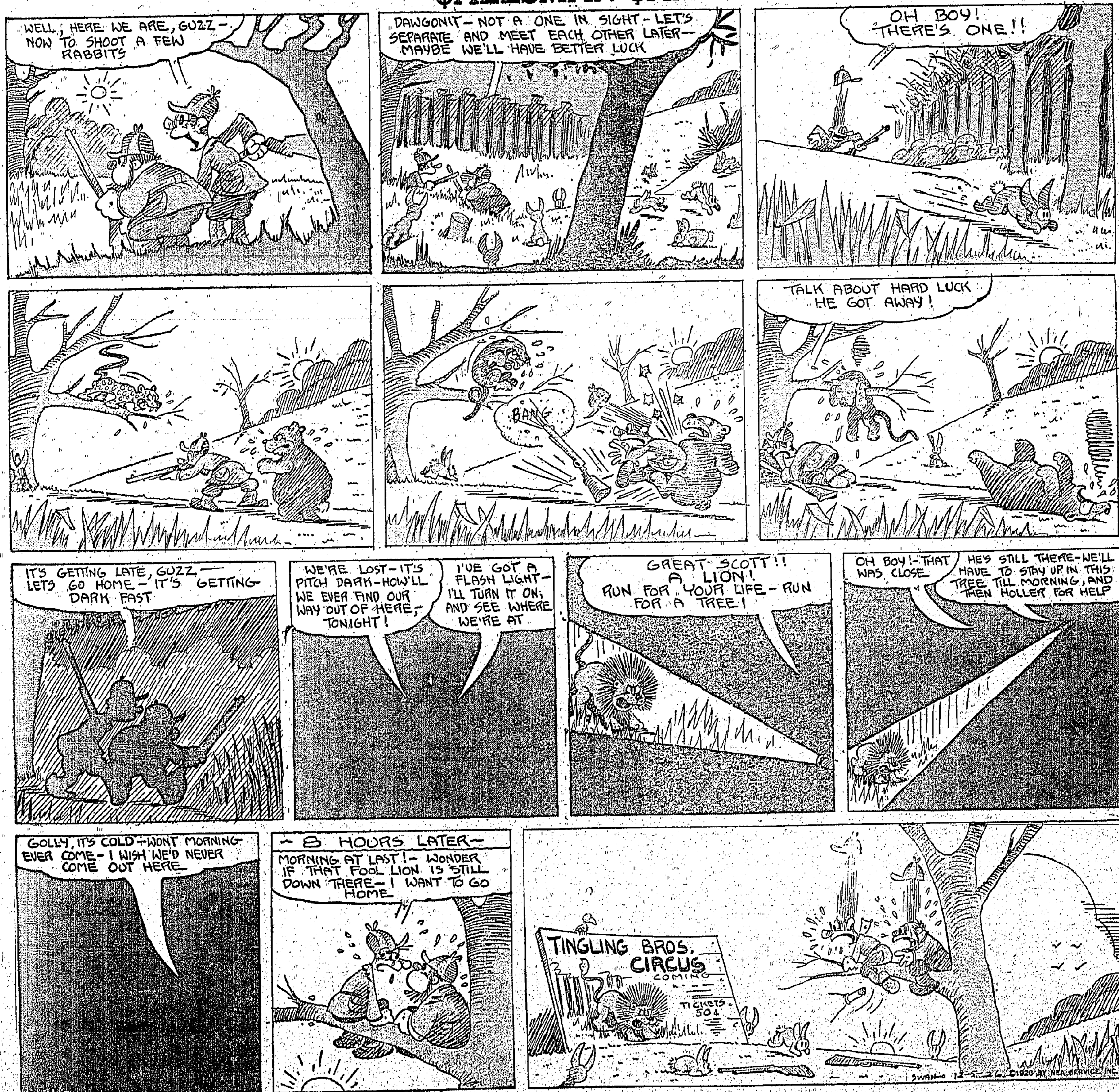
CAPTIVATES SOCIETY.

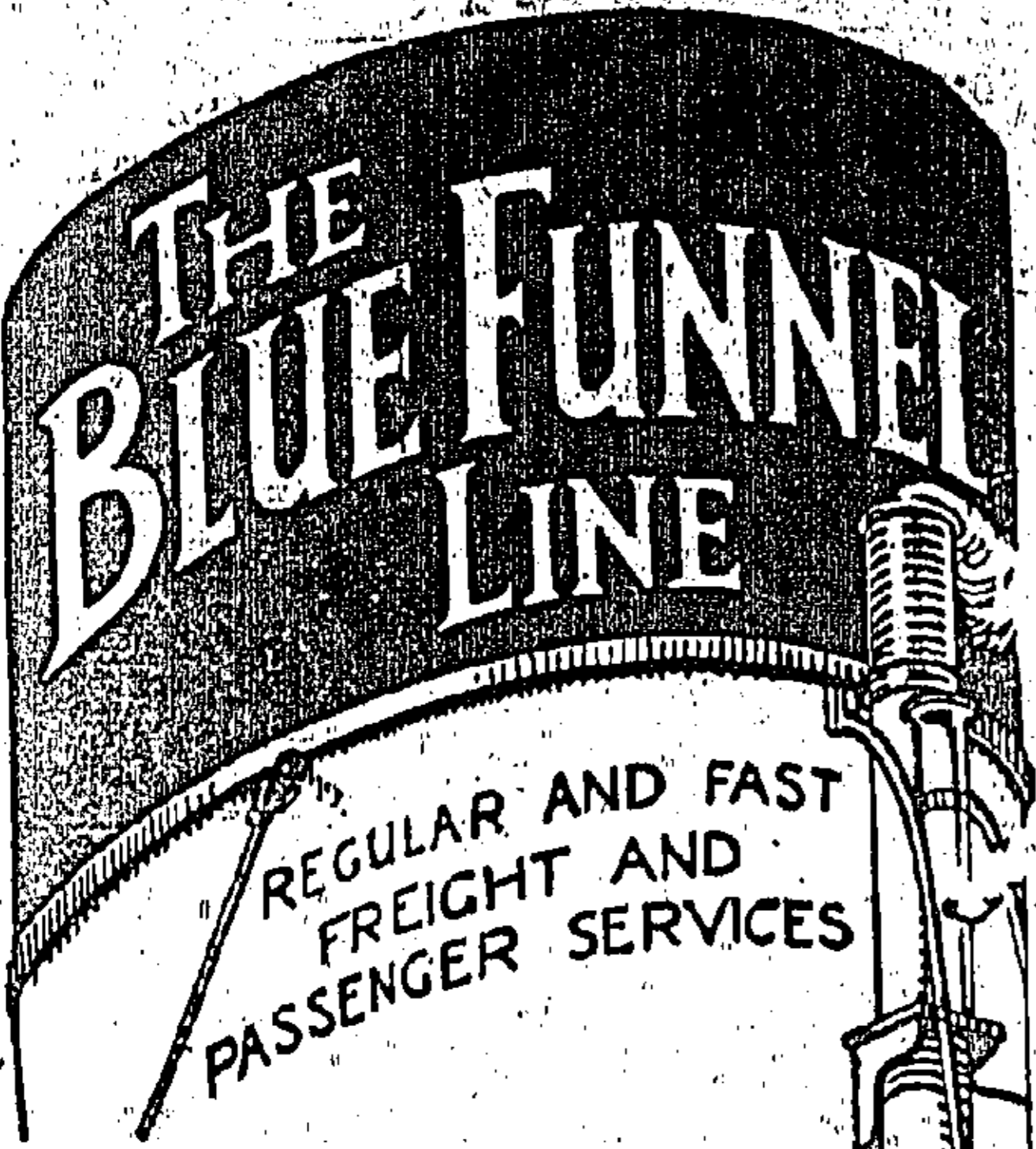


This debutante beauty is captivating Washington society this season. She is Miss Lillian Tuckerman, daughter of the late Sir Lillian Tuckerman.



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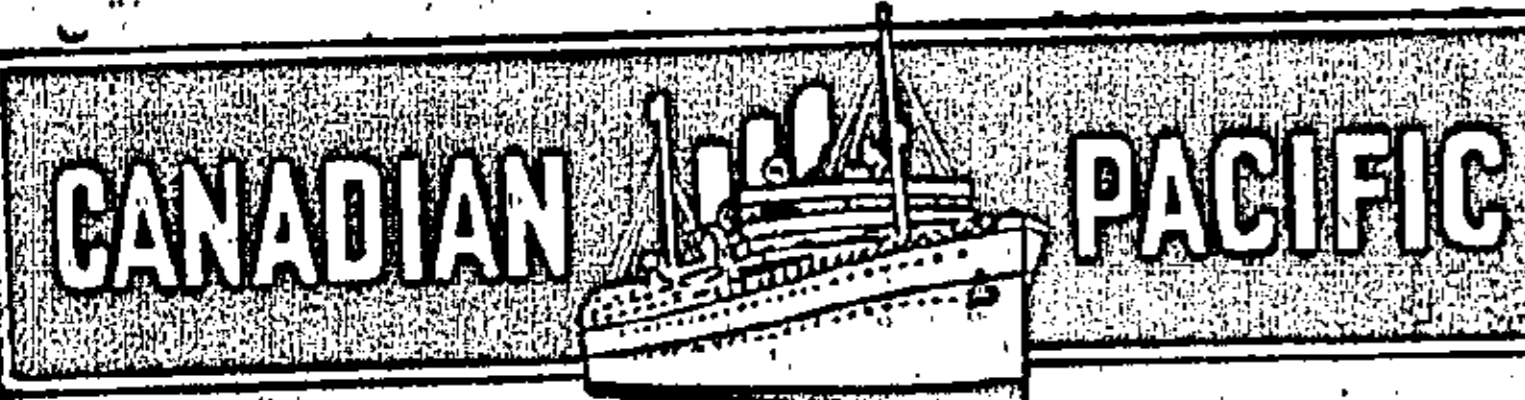
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TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai	Leesang	Wed. 22nd Dec at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via Moji & Kobe	Namsang	Fri. 24th Dec at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Fri. 24th Dec at 2 p.m.
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STRAITS & Calcutta	Laisang	Tues. 28th Dec at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai	Yatsing	Wed. 29th Dec at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	Chipsing	Satur. 1st Jan at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Hosang	Mon. 3rd Jan at 3 p.m.
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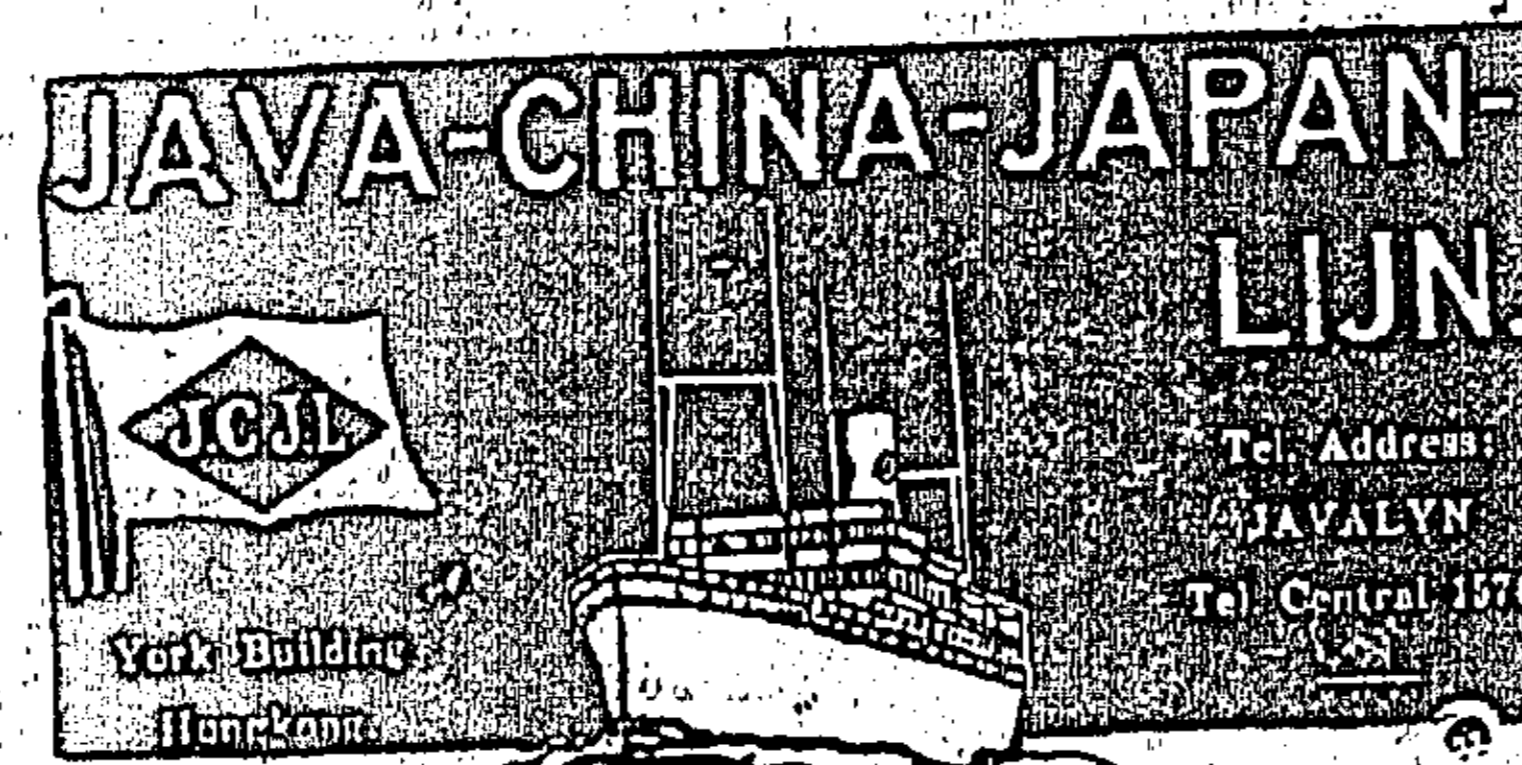
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Tjikandi	Japan	4th Jan.	5th Jan.	Batavia
Tjisaroem	Java	4th Jan.	6th Jan.	Amoy, N. China
Tjimonacki	N. China	6th Jan.	7th Jan.	Batavia
Tjispondari	Java	9th Jan.	13th Jan.	Shanghai
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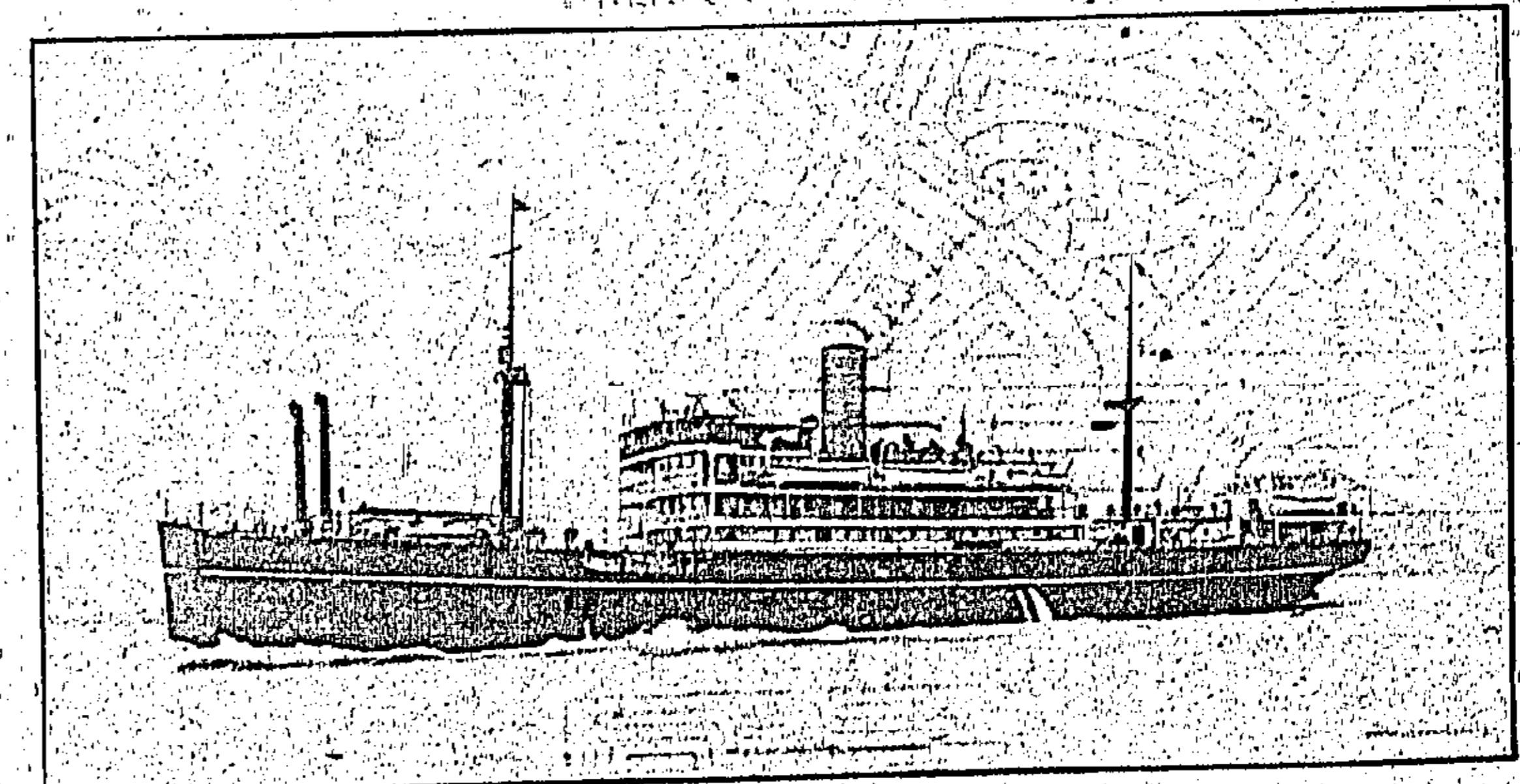
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MIRZAPUR	6,718	29th Dec.	M'les L'don H'burg & Rotterdam
NYANZA	7,023	6th Jan.	S'pore P'ang C'bo & B'bay
MALWA	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	22nd Jan.	M'les L'don A'warp & Hull
DEVANHA	8,155	28th Jan.	S'pore P'ang C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	18th Feb.	S'pore P'ang C'bo & B'bay
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TAKLIWA	7,936	2nd Jan.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

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The arms and ammunition were discovered concealed under some twelve tons of coal cinders, but a subsequent search revealed a quantity of sulphur and saltpetre in addition to the arms.

Altogether nine persons were taken into custody and on their appearance before Mr. T. W. Ainsworth and Major C. Willson at the Kowloon Magistracy, yesterday, they were all charged with being in possession of the arms and ammunition without a permit and with having in their possession 1,765 pounds of saltpetre and 800 pounds of sulphur.

All defendants returned pleas of not guilty to both charges.

Detailing the facts of the case, Inspector Ogg, said that the boat on which the contraband was discovered was a trading junk with a crew of eight

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CANTON LABOUR
FEUD.

POLICE ARREST SIX
PICKETS.

FIRM ACTION TAKEN.

A Canton correspondent states that on Thursday, a serious labour feud occurred at Tai Tak Maloo between the members of two rival Unions of comb-makers, resulting in one being killed and many wounded.

Despite police interference, the fight continued, and General Chien Ta-chun, the new Commissioner of Public Safety, on learning the news, at once despatched a large body of armed police to suppress the feud. Subsequently, the police arrested six pickets and took them to the Canton Police Headquarters, where they were accused of breaking the law.

But the trouble did not end there. The Workers' Representative Conference represented to the Commissioner, on behalf of the comb-makers, that the action taken by the police was entirely contrary to Kuomintang principles which guaranteed protection to the proletariat, and further stated that the arrested should be immediately released. It was added that the labour feuds were encouraged by reactionary elements or "running dogs of Imperialists" who were attempting to crush Trade Unionism.

The Commissioner, however, turned a deaf ear to the pleas and the arrested pickets are still detained. What action will be taken by the Workers' Conference remains to be seen.

It will be recalled that when General Chien Ta-chun took office as Commissioner of Public Safety recently, he declared that no labour trouble or lawlessness would be tolerated. He also said that arbitrary arrests and picketing of business shops by Unions must be suppressed without clemency.

THE DOHENY VERDICT.

CONFLICTING POLITICAL
COMMENTS.

New York, Dec. 17. Newspaper comments on the acquittal of Messrs. Fall and Doheny are tinged with political bias.

The Republican *Herald* and *Tribune* rejoices at the acquittal as a wholesome corrective to sensationalism and as a triumph for the jury system. It admits that the result is far from being a clean bill of health for Fall, but thinks the jury could not ignore the patriotic motives behind the Doheny contract or the fact that the country benefited by the transaction in the swift construction of oil tanks.

A *Honolulu* paper also thinks that Doheny's character as a pioneering American type, influenced the jury in his favour.

On the contrary the Democratic *New York Times* declares that the charges are notoriously hard to prove and the people of the United States, who constitute the larger jury, will feel that scandalous impropriety, if not technically a crime, was committed.—*Reuter's American Service.*

LABOUR CONDITIONS IN
AMERICA.

BRITISH MISSION'S REPORT.

London, Dec. 17. The Government industrial mission to Canada and the U. S. has returned, most impressed with many new experiments in the United States and Canada and the effect of healthier and more harmonious relationships between capital and labour, both with and without the Trade Unions' co-operation. A noticeable feature is the large and constantly increasing amount of stocks and shares held by work people in the companies with which they are employed and another development is group insurance, under which the workers are individually insured, both sides contributing to the premiums. Many of the larger plants have full time qualified doctors and nurses to attend their work people gratis at surgeries at the works, and these are provided on business and not on sentimental ground. The wages level is much higher than in England and much is done to relieve the workman of heavy manual toil. Normal hours vary from 40 to 60 hours weekly. There have been a few strikes lately, but these were regarded as local and did not affect an industry as a whole.—*Reuter.*

SHORT TIME
ABANDONED.

A SURPRISING LANCASHIRE
DECISION.

London, Dec. 17. Lancashire is surprised at the decision of the Short-time Organisation Committee of the Federation of Master Cottonspinners' Associations, at a meeting at Manchester to-day to abandon short-time in the American yarn-spinning section.

The official reason given is the manner in which short-time is being observed.—*Reuter.*

THE FRANC.

IMPROVEMENT BRINGS BANK
RATE REDUCTION.

Paris, Dec. 17. The Banque de France has reduced its discount rate to six and a half per cent. The rate was raised to seven and a half per cent when the franc was quoted at 200 to the £1 in order to compel the repatriation of French capital. It is now considered that the object is largely attained and the reduction comes as a boon to French trade which is languishing.—*Reuter.*

RUBBER RESTRICTION.

CEYLON TO REMAIN A
PARTICIPANT.

Colombo, Dec. 17. The Council has rejected a motion to stand out of the rubber restriction scheme. The mover did not vote.—*Reuter.*

BROKER SUES BROKER
IN F. M. S.

SEQUEL TO PURCHASE OF
SHARES.

AN UNDEFENDED SUIT.

An undefended suit in which Mr. A.H. Froda, a Kuala Lumpur broker, was the plaintiff and Fearon and Co. were the defendants, was heard in the F.M.S. Supreme Court, last week, before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gompertz).

Mr. E. D. Shearn, appearing for the plaintiff, said that no defence had been filed by the defendants and as they were not in court he presumed that they were not contesting the case. He would, therefore, formally put Mr. Froda in the box for his evidence.

The plaintiff said that on July 7 last he bought 1,000 shares in Tin Land Consolidated Ltd., at \$1 per share from the defendants for which he obtained the usual receipt. He, however, never received the shares although he called for them on several occasions. He wrote several letters, but the defendants did not even reply to them.

Mr. Shearn next produced one of the letters calling upon Fearon and Co. to deliver the shares and asked witness whether that had been sent to defendants.

Witness replied that it had, but he could not say whether it was posted or delivered by hand. Mr. Shearn said that Pooley and Co. had also written to Fearon and Co. on this subject, but there was no reply.

His Lordship: Has there been any admission by the defendants that these letters reached them?

Witness replied that there was no such admission.

His Lordship: In your letter of October 12 you called upon the defendants to deliver the shares within three days?—Yes.

At that date what was the market price of these shares?—\$2.10.

His Lordship said that the delivery of the letters would have to be proved and after a short adjournment the two chit books were produced and put in as evidence.

His Lordship gave judgement for the plaintiff for \$850.

REMARKABLE FLYING.

BY MOTH AEROPLANE TO
BAGDAD.

Bagdad, Dec. 17. The meritorious performance of flying from London in a couple of 26 horse-power Moth aeroplanes has been accomplished by Captain Stack and E. S. Leete, who have just crossed 86 miles of Syrian desert, handicapped by sandstorms and adverse winds, each man carrying out the joint duties of pilot, navigator and mechanic and lacking the elaborate ground organisation which was prepared for fore-runners flying more powerful machines.

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